THE WEATHER

The indications are that it will be fair tonight and Saturday. There probably will be light winds, generally westerly.

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PATRICK THYNE

Probably Fatally Injured by Falling Down Stairs

Patrick Thyne, aged 50 years, fell down a flight of stairs at his home, 2 Quigley's court, off Summer street, early this morning, and after lying there for an hour or two was found by his mother. He was without the care of a doctor for over five hours and when a physician arrived he ordered the immediate removal of the injured man to St. John's hospital, where he is at the present time hovering between life and death. He has not regained consciousness since the accident occurred.

The exact time or how the accident occurred cannot be ascertained. Thyne slept in a room in the tenement occupied by his mother and several other members of the family. The tenement included rooms on the first, second and third floors, the injured man occupying a room on the third floor. In the room which he occupied four of his children slept. His wife died some years ago.

He had the tops of two of his fingers crushed in the foundry about a month ago which necessitated the removal of portions of the injured members.

Last night when Mrs. Thyne went to bed her son was not in and as was her custom she left a lamp burning at the head of the stairs to guide him to his room. Shortly after two o'clock this morning she heard moaning. Thinking that it came from the tenement on the first floor where a man was ill she paid little or no attention to it, but the continued moaning caused her to get up and walk into her front room which is directly beneath that occupied by one of her sons and his wife. After listening a while she learned that the moaning did not come from his room and then going into the hallway saw that the lamp was not there and felt confident that her son Patrick was in bed.

She went to bed, but had not been there long when she heard more moaning. Arising again she went to the floor above and entered the room occupied by her son and his four children. The lamp which she placed at the head of the stairs was burning on a table and the four children were asleep. Patrick's shoes and outer clothing were on a chair, but he was not in the room.

Going into an adjoining room she awakened her son and said she heard moaning about the house and that Patrick was not in yet.

In the lower hall Mrs. Thyne and her son discovered Patrick at the foot of the stairs with both his legs through the rungs of the bannister. He was clothed in his trousers, stockings and undershirt. He was carried to the kitchen on the floor above, where a bed was made on the floor and he was placed on it.

The case was not considered very serious by the members of the family until several hours later when he did not regain consciousness. Several doctors were summoned, but they were out. At 9 o'clock this morning he had not regained consciousness and the officer on the beat was notified. The officer immediately summoned the ambulance and upon the arrival of the latter the man was removed to St. John's hospital where upon examination it was found that he was in a precarious condition.

To a representative of The Sun, Mrs. Thyne says that she thinks her son upon retiring thought he forgot to bolt the front door and went down to close the door and losing his footing fell to the bottom of the stairs.

FUNERALS

SULLIVAN—The funeral of the late Nell Sullivan will take place tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the funeral parlors of Funeral Directors A. H. Bixby & Co., 318 Merrimack street. Friends invited.

NOTICE

Today and tomorrow the Caswell Optical Co., 27 Bridge street, will examine eyes by the latest and most modern methods free of charge and will furnish glasses at greatly reduced prices.

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ANOTHER MEETING

Committee on Appropriations Sifted Pauper Dept.

At its meeting at city hall last evening, the committee on appropriations voted to instruct the assessors to raise by taxation $1,291,900 during the present year, an amount about $19,000 less than was raised by last year's committee. It was also voted to submit its report to the city council next Tuesday night and will, therefore, meet again on Monday night next to prepare the report.

Mayor Casey's veto of the order for the certified lists of delinquent taxpayers was accepted graciously by the committee, the members being satisfied to act upon the mayor's suggestion and look over the books in the treasurer's office.

The overseers of the poor were heard, some of them blaming Dr. Donlan for the extravagances of the department while others had a good word to say for him. Quite a number of citizens attended the meeting, expecting something spicy from the overseers but nothing developed.

When the meeting was called the "chairman" of the overseers was invited to speak first and Mr. McCoy took the floor. Mr. Eastman was present but remained silent. Mr. McCoy was asked relative to the statement of Dr. Donlan that the overseers were responsible for the large pay roll. He replied that he had only sent two men to work there in his four years of service. He was asked if the help could not be reduced 30 per cent. if it were not for the fact that the overseers insisted upon keeping men to work and he replied that he did not know.

"Gen." Shields offered a few remarks directed against Dr. Donlan and a letter was read from the latter in which he informed the committee that Mr. Shields' attack was a personal one as the result of the latter's failure to secure employment at the city farm under the present administration.

Mr. Morse of the committee thought that a livery stable could furnish an ambulance service cheaper than the city. He thought $4 per call was a sufficient amount to pay.

Mr. McManus was asked his idea as to expenses and he didn't have any.

"I don't know much about them," said the overseer, "because they won't let me in. I couldn't get a man a job there if I tried."

Mr. Shields said that the farm should maintain itself. "The trouble is," said Mr. Shields, "we haven't a competent farmer up there."

Councilman McAloon asked if Avery Marshal, the boss farmer, did not know his business and the reply was that Mr. Marshal is satisfactory.

The question was asked as to why the cost per inmate had increased 100 per cent. in about three years but none of the overseers could explain.

Mr. Foye said there were times when poor cases were reported to the overseers. He paid Dr. Doulan a compliment upon the administration of the city hospital, emphasizing the value of a physician constantly present at that institution. The presence of a registered pharmacist there was also referred to by Mr. Foye.

Mr. McCoy said the board was familiar with the expenses of the department only in a general way. He denied that the overseers hired and discharged help.

Mr. Eastman said the expense at the farm ought to be materially reduced. Less help should be employed. He said it was possible to reduce expenses if five votes were obtainable.

Continuing, Mr. Eastman said:

"I have seen many pliable cases in ward 6, cases deserving attention. As late as 11 o'clock at night I have been called to assist a family. I have in mind one case where the father and mother were sick and the children were crying for bread. I have gone down into my pocket at different times to help such people."

Mr. Foye said there are 23 men now on the pay roll, making a weekly wage list of $255.

Mr. Shields addressed the committee again concerning Dr. Doulan's "coachman" and a fireman who hasn't a license.

Mr. McCoy was asked as to the superintendent's ability and he replied that Dr. Doulan is a competent official and has wrought great changes at the institution.

Overseer Shepard said it was up to the superintendent to act in regard to the reduction of help as the overseers had no authority. Mr. McCoy and others said that they would vote for a reduction in help. The overseers were then excused.

City Solicitor Hill appeared before the committee with a request for an appropriation to meet the expense of hearings on the grade crossing matter. The committee thought this a proper subject for the city council to consider.

Mayor Casey's veto message was then read.

Dear Sir:—I would respectfully urge the members of the committee on appropriations to endeavor to submit their report to the city council next Tuesday evening if possible. Some departments will have exhausted one-sixth of their appropriation next week, and in accordance with the provisions of the ordinances will be unable to incur any more expense until the regular appropriation is granted.

I am unable to understand why the committee should withhold its report until information is obtained relative to delinquent taxpayers. While I commend the committees' activity in this respect, yet the committee must know that no additional revenue can be obtained from this source upon which to base appropriations.

I feel that the committee should be informed of my attitude in relation to the joint order passed by the city council, entitled "Order directing the city treasurer and collector of taxes to furnish joint committee on appropriations with certain information". This order I consider unnecessary. It entails expense that can well be avoided, and the desired information can be obtained if the committee will visit the city treasurer's office, where the books are open for inspection. I have conferred with the city treasurer, and he informs me the books are at the disposal of the committee in his office, and that he will render every assistance possible to the committee. In view of these facts I feel that inasmuch as the committee can obtain the same information as is requested in the order without the consequent tedious delay and expense, that the committee should visit the treasurer's office for the information desired.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES B. CASEY,
Mayor.

It was voted to report on next Tuesday and it was voted not to grant increases in salaries to Charles C. Wilson and James S. O'Sullivan, clerks in the city treasurer's office. The treasurer was allowed the amount of his estimate for sundries.

The committee voted to order the assessors to raise by taxation $1,291,900, an amount about $19,000 less than last year. The total expense was placed at $1,678,951.93.

The committee adjourned until Monday night, when the final meeting will be held.

CALL TO RUSSIANS

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3.—The text of the Imperial manifesto, published by the Official Messenger today, calling on the country to rally around the throne in defence of the empire from its internal enemies, is as follows:

"An inscrutable Providence has been pleased to visit our fatherland with heavy trials. A bloody war in the Far East involving the honor of Russia and the command of the waters of the Pacific ocean, so urgently necessary to the consolidation of the peaceful prosperity, not only of our own, but of other Christian nations throughout the ages has imposed a great strain on the strength of the Russian people and has swallowed up many dear victims near to our heart. While the glorious sons of Russia are fighting with self-sacrificing bravery, risking their lives for their faith, for their emperor and for their country, disturbances have broken out in our own land to the joy of our enemies, and our own deep sorrow.

DEATHS

QUINN—Mrs. Ada Quinn, aged 52 years, died at the home of her daughter, 20 Chamber street, this morning. She was the wife of Maurice J. Quinn and an old and esteemed resident of St. Patrick's parish.

POTTER—In Malden, March 1, Joseph W. Potter, aged 70 years, 10 months. Besides a widow, he leaves three children, Mrs. Olive Lockling of Malden, Mrs. Blanche Niblock of Brookline and Wm. H. Potter of Lowell.

CREEM IN COURT

Charged With Receiving Stolen Property

McFARLANE GOT A SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Several Drunks Were Sent Away

Harry Creem, 21, was arraigned in police court today on a complaint charging him with receiving stolen property and pleaded not guilty. John J. Harvey appeared for the defendant and the case was continued to Tuesday.

Creem was arrested by Inspectors Maher and Lafianme and his arrest was due to the discovery, by these two inspectors, of two barrels of trolley wire at the Thorndike street freight house about two weeks ago. Creem admitted buying the wire from two men in Tewksbury, paying them $25 for the lot. He did not know the men, he said, and they had a team loaded with wire. He has given the police a description of the men who sold him the wire.

WAS STOLEN PROPERTY.

James Sunderland and Bernard Harrity, two small boys, pleaded guilty to the larceny of a copper coffee tank. The boys fathers were in court and made arrangements to settle with the owner of the tank. The boys broke the tank into pieces and sold it to Joseph Normando. The latter was arraigned for receiving stolen property and was ordered to pay a fine of $15.

TOOK JUNKMAN'S CART.

Michael Boyle, Ernest Tucker and Philip Tibbets were charged with stealing junk and it was also alleged that, after taking the junk, they pushed the cart into the river.

Philip Tibbets received a suspended sentence to the Lyman school and the cases of the other two were continued one week.

STOLE SOME MONEY.

John J. McFarland was charged with the larceny of $20 from Marie and Regina Paquette. His case came on continuance the case having been continued with the understanding that he would pay back the money. He did not live up to his agreement and was re-arrested. Mr. Farland was given a suspended sentence to the reformatory.

THE DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

Eugene Cote, jail two months; Alice F. Quigley, house of correction five months; Kyrialsos was fined $6 and four first offenders were fined $2 each.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT

CASE BROUGHT AGAINST ROBERT E. KENNEY.

A case for alleged embezzlement worked up by Boston detectives against Robert E. Kenney an employe in the saloon of William W. Murphy was on trial today.

The detectives decoyed Kenney by false stories to Boston and there under threat of arrest on the charge of stealing from his employer forced Kenney to sign an agreement to pay Mr. Murphy $50. Later Kenney repudiated this agreement on the ground that it was secured under duress hence the suit.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of Thomas F. Fanning, of 32 Stanley street, will be held tomorrow morning at 8.30 o'clock from the house. Mass at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock.

LATEST

LOSSES ARE HEAVY

Two Desperate Assaults on Poutiloff Hill Repulsed

SAKHETUN, Manchuria, March 3.—Stubborn fighting has been in progress all day long.

Four Japanese divisions are about 11 miles west of Mukden.

The Japanese today made two infantry attacks on Poutiloff hill but were repulsed. They have resumed the bombardment of the hill.

The Japanese attacked the Russian extreme left wing at two points as well as at Gaito pass, where during the morning the fortifications previously abandoned were recaptured by the Russians.

The bombardment of the Russian positions on the left and right flanks continued while the Japanese swept Poutiloff (Lone Tree) hill with at least 2500 shells from siege guns and mortars, the latter projectiles being recognizable by their enormous explosive force and massive splinters.

Towards evening the Japanese advanced on the right wing where stubborn fighting continues.

Though the Japanese are pushing forward, on the left bank of the Hun river, the Russians are maintaining a stubborn defence.

The four Japanese divisions engaged in the turning movement on the Russian right of the Liao river today reached Swanipu, about 11 miles west of Mukden but the Russian reinforcements were sent out and checked the advance.

A Japanese attack on the positions east of Erdagou at 4 o'clock this morning, was repulsed.

Under cover of the artillery fire and a mist the Japanese opened an infantry attack on Pouailoff hill at 7 o'clock this morning, but were beaten off by desolating fire of the Russian guns. A second attack at noon was similarly repulsed, after which the Japanese resumed the bombardment of the hill with siege guns preparatory to making a fresh assault.

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Wednesday, March 8 and Thursday, March 9
Best New York Pea Beans, 7c qt.; 55c pk.
Choice Macaroni, 4 pkgs. 25c; 7c pkg.
Fancy Tomatoes, 3 cans 25c; 9c can
Choice Corn.....3 cans 25c; 10c can
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BOUTWELL BURIED

Simple Services at Funeral of Venerable Statesman

GROTON, Mass., March 2.—The commonwealth of Massachusetts, whose interests he had faithfully served for so many years, today honored the memory of George Sewell Boutwell, once governor, formerly U. S. senator, and secretary of the treasury and last of the Old Guard of the Bay State.

Numerous officials, life-long admirers, co-workers and townsmen attended the funeral service, a simple yet dignified ceremony which was held at the town hall and participated in by clergymen of all religious denominations in Groton. The state was officially represented by Gov. Wm. L. Douglas and council and by delegations from the state senate and house of representatives. Three of the four former governors of the commonwealth were also present. The arrangements for the funeral were in charge of Gen. Wm. A. Bancroft of Boston, for many years a close friends of the Boutwell family.

It was first suggested that the service be held in the Groton Unitarian church, which Mr. Boutwell had attended for more than 70 years, but as so many persons from Groton and elsewhere desired to be present it was decided to hold the last sad rites in the town hall. The hall was draped heavily in black and white, interspersed with evergreen. At 10 o'clock the body of the former governor was conveyed by the active bearers, former employes of Mr. Boutwell, from the family house to the hall, where it lay in state for two hours. Hundreds of townspeople passed the casket. The guard of honor consisted of members of George S. Boutwell Post of Ayer, G. A. R.

A special train from Boston arrived at 1.30 o'clock bringing Gov. Douglas, state delegations and other officials. A large number of persons also arrived on the regular trains. Places on the stage of the town hall were reserved for Gov. Douglas, the committees from the senate and house and for the honorary pall bearers. Members of the former governor's family occupied seats at the right of the auditorium. The center of the hall was occupied by delegations from E. F. Clarke Post G. A. R., of Groton, Geo. S. Boutwell Post of Ayer and the town officials of Groton. The executive committee of the anti-imperialist league of which Mr. Boutwell was president, 16 members of the United Irish League of America, and many other minor delegations also attended.

Music was furnished by a double quartet consisting of the Unitarian church choir members and a quartet from the choir of the Groton school, an Episcopal institution.

The officiating clergyman was Mr. Boutwell's pastor, Rev. Pemberton H. Cressey, of the Unitarian church. He was assisted by Rev. George M. Howe of the Congregational society, Rev. Charles H. Turner of the Baptist church, and by Rev. Dr. Endicott Peabody, headmaster of the Groton school. The service was opened by the double quartet singing the Barnby's requiem. Rev. Mr. Turner offered the invocation. Rev. Dr. Peabody read from the scriptures and brief remarks were made by Rev. Mr. Cressey. No eulogy was delivered out of respect to the desire of the Boutwell family. A prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Howe and after the singing of "Abide With Me," by the quartet, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Cressey.

As the body was borne from its place in the center of the hall, near the center of the stage, all the church bells in Groton began tolling and the chimes in the chapel tower in the school played a muffled peal. The bells continued tolling until the body reached Groton cemetery where the interment was made in the presence of the members of the family and several friends.

The honorary pall-bearers were: Former Governors John Q. A. Brackett of Arlington, John D. Long of Hingham, and John L. Bates of Boston, W. F. Wharton, C. Bigelow, Erving Winslow, Gamaliel Bradford, Dr. Samuel A. Greene, George A. King, John W. Parker and Michael Sheedy and Colonel W. A. Williams.

Senator W. Murray Crane, Gen. Frederick D. Grant, Admiral Gheradi Davis and Prof. Charles Eliot Norton who had been invited to act as honorary bearers were unable to be present.

The active bearers were: J. P. Thatcher, George Chase, Wm. Gleason, Daniel Gilbert, Herbert Hynes and John Carleton.

THE MARX CASE

Wife of Accused Man Talks Freely

NORWICH, Conn., March 2.—Interest in the case of Gershon Marx, the Colchester farmer convicted of murder, whose motion for a new trial was denied yesterday in the superior court at New London, was renewed today by confessions said to have been made by Mrs. Marx, the wife of the condemned man. The woman has been held in jail here on the same charge as her husband, but owing to feeble health has never been brought to trial. Lately her condition has improved, and according to a jail attendant who has been detailed to look after her wants, the woman has talked quite freely. She is said to have declared that she does not understand why she is kept in jail, as all she did was to hold the light while Marx killed the farm hand Bodecki by striking him on the head with an axe. After that she is reported to have said she knew nothing about the murder, as Marx sent her into another room.

Heretofore Mrs. Marx professed entire ignorance of the crime.

The state attorney holds a court order for her removal to the insane asylum if necessary but her mental and physical condition has improved so much that the commitment papers have not yet been served.

PERKINS BURIED

HE DIED AT LEWISTON WHILE AWAITING TRIAL.

EDGECOMB, Me., March 2.—The body of Alvah H. Perkins, who was under bail awaiting trial before the supreme court next month on the charge of assault with intent to kill his nephew on the night of Dec. 14, was brought her today for burial. Perkins died at Lewiston last night, his death being hastened by worry over his pending trial.

NARROW ESCAPE

MAN ALMOST KILLED AT MINSTREL SHOW.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 2.—Sitting in the auditorium at the amateur minstrel show given last night by boys of the Y. M. C. A., of which he is president, Edgar C. Leonard had a narrow escape from death. By some chance a revolver, discharged by one of the performers, contained a 22 calibre ball cartridge. The bullet struck Mr. Leonard in the temple, was deflected by his spectacle frame, passed through his ear and dropped in the lap of a lady sitting behind.

No Appetite

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YELLOW FEVER

Not so Many Cases at Panama

NEW YORK, March 2.—Dr. Charles A. L. Reed of Cincinnati, a member of the joint commission appointed by the United States and the republic of Panama to adjust property values in dispute between the two countries and who has just returned from the isthmus, says that in his opinion, the sanitary condition in Panama is being improved as rapidly as could be expected under the circumstances. There has been more or less delay in some directions but this the doctor believes is due to the non-arrival of necessary construction material which has been ordered in the United States.

While there has been considerable yellow fever on the isthmus, Dr. Reed said that the health authorities apparently had the situation well in hand when he sailed from Colon a week ago.

"There have been just 36 cases of yellow fever in Panama, with 12 deaths since the 12th of last July, when the first case was reported," said Dr. Reed. "Colon is not infected or at least was not when I left there. Sensational reports of the widespread prevalence of the disease are due chiefly to the fact that every case of fever that is sent to Ancon, where all fever cases are sent, is at once supposed to be yellow fever. As a matter of fact all such cases, unless so fully developed that diagnosis is unmistakable, are held as suspects until all doubt is cleared up. In this way 70 or 80 suspected cases have been proven not to be yellow fever at all, but no account is taken of this fact and all are charged up to yellow fever. I lived two weeks at Ancon hospital, attended autopsies on those who had died of yellow fever, and was in close touch with the yellow fever board. This body consists of Col. Gorgas, Mayor Legarde, Captain Lyster and Dr. Carter, the strongest aggregation of yellow fever experts in the world. They meet daily in consultation over suspected cases, and their verdict, which is arrived at only after every scientific resource is exhausted, is authoritative.

"Everything that intelligence and energy can do with the limited facilities available is being done to stamp out the disease. The water works and sewage system that ought to have been in place last December are not yet installed simply because of dilatoriness in getting pipe to the isthmus. The first cargo was being discharged when I left. This delay makes it impossible to suppress water barrels and other disease breeding centres. This city, is however, being very thoroughly fumigated, the streets are being kept clean and garbage is being disposed of by our sanitary officers."

MORE STRIKERS

GRANITE CUTTERS WANT $3 FOR EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

ROCKLAND, Me., March 2.—One hundred granite cutters, employed by Booth Bros. and the Hurricane Island Granite Co., struck today. They ask a minimum wage rate of $3 per day of eight hours. Gen. Manager Wm. S. White, stated that the company was willing to meet this request but that the difficulty concerned the period of settlement. The cutters want the bill of prices to extend one year while the company insists upon a three-year bill.

The strike does not affect the quarrymen whose bill of prices extends to 1906. Work was in progress on the academic group for the naval building at Annapolis.

FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITION

POLICE CHIEFS

ALONZO W. COREY, CHIEF OF POLICE OF BROOKLINE, MASS.

Hold Quarterly Meeting in This City

The quarterly meeting of the police chiefs of Massachusetts is being held in this city today. About twenty of the big chiefs arrived in this city shortly after noon hour and proceeded to the New American house and had dinner. After the inner man had been catered to remarks were made and the usual business meeting was held.

The main feature of the meeting of the association of Massachusetts police chiefs in this city today was to see and hear Supt. Moffatt's illustrated lecture on the finger print system, and after the business meeting the chiefs adjourned to the police station. The guard-room was turned into a lecture hall. Dark curtains shaded the windows and a great canvas was spread on the dark side of the room. The arched door in the centre was draped with American flags and the effect was all that could be desired.

The visitors were very much interested with Mr. Moffatt's lecture and the majority of them expressed the intention to adopt the system. It was at the World's Fair in St. Louis, that Supt. Moffatt became acquainted with the system, and now he is an enthusiast and was instrumental in having submitted to the legislature a bill seeking the establishment of a criminal bureau in the state house where finger prints would be a feature.

CHIEF WILLIAM A. FERGUSON OF BEVERLY.

The following city marshals and chiefs of police were present: M. H. Grady, Peabody; William H. Ferguson, Beverly; Frank L. Lattinie, Newburyport; Maurice Pierce, Milton; George M. Stebbins, Springfield; William A. Royden, Brockton; Fred'k M. Mitchell, Newton; Henry W. Mason, New Bedford; Alonzo N. Corey, Brookline; Warren E. Rhods, Norwood; C. F. McDermott, Woburn; C. H. McKenna, Waltham; E. D. Holmes, Medford; Frank McLaughlin, Haverhill; James T. O'Sullivan, Lawrence; David W. Tinsley, Fitchburg; Orrin B. Bates, Clinton. Mayor James B. Casey was a guest of honor.

NORTH BILLERICA

A temperance meeting was held in Union hall, Tuesday night, under the auspices of the I. O. G. T. During the meeting a local lodge of the order was formed.

A well attended meeting of the general committee of the St. Andrew's church parish reunion was held Tuesday night in Mathews' hall. Reports of the different committees were read and the following floor officers were elected: General manager, John Hughes; assistant general manager, Miss Katherya L. Cowdrey; floor director, Miss Mary Seymour; assistant floor director, James V. Riley; chief aid, Dennis J. Mahoney. There had been some talk of holding the affair on March 16, but on recommendation of the pastor, Rev. Fr. Lawrence J. Tighe, O. M. I., it was finally voted to hold it on Friday evening, March 17.

The regular meeting of North Billerica council, R. A., was held in Mathew hall last night. One application for membership was received and a report of the committee on by-laws was received and discussed at considerable length.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

At a meeting of Mt. Zion lodge of Good Templars on Tuesday evening, Carl J. E. Santesson, Robert W. Mountford, John W. Bowker and Mrs. Buchanan were elected as delegates to the grand lodge which meets in Worcester on April 12th and 13th.

The regular meeting of division 2, A. O. H., was held last night at the hall in Prescott street. There was a large attendance and much business was transacted. Four candidates were initiated. Extended remarks were made by Deputy Lynch, which were well received.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

About forty friends of Miss Eva M. Cristy gathered at her home, 52 Midland street last evening and gave her a pleasant surprise party. As Miss Cristy entered the parlor she was presented a costly bracelet studded with brilliants and she also received a beautiful bouquet of violets tied with white satin ribbon. The presentation address was delivered by Miss Nellie E. Kirby who made a charming speech. Although Miss Cristy was very much overcome by surprise she responded in a fitting manner. Games and music were enjoyed. There were songs by Mr. Alfred J. Doyle, Mr. Charles Kirby, Mr. Cleve Sullivan, Mr. Walter Sullivan, Mr. Whitney, Mr. Edward Russell and Ernest Merrill. Miss Lillian Abbott was accompanist for the evening. At 10.30 a collation was served by Mr. A. Cruickshank, the well known caterer.

MAYOR WILL VETO

The Order Relating to Delinquent Taxpayers

Mayor Casey will veto the order of the city council requiring the city treasurer to furnish a certified list of delinquent taxpayers to the appropriation committee and will send the committee a communication with the veto advising the committee to go down to the city treasurer's office and inspect the books, the city treasurer having offered them the opportunity to make an inspection.

The many friends of Miss Etta Monahan, bookkeep. for the O'Donnell Dry Goods Co., will be glad to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness.

RAN POKER INTO CHEEK.

George Lyons, aged five years, and residing at 48 Prospect street, while at play this morning ran a poker into his left cheek. He was taken to the Emergency hospital where two stitches were taken in the wound.

FAVORS ANNEXATION

KEHOE WANTS THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

WASHINGTON, March 2—Representative Kehoe (Ky.) introduced a concurring resolution today to annex the republic of Panama to the United States.

The resolution recites that "as it will be to the best interest of the world and especially beneficial to the contracting parties" the president be requested to advise the congress upon what terms the territory within the republic of Panama can be annexed to the United States, the inhabitants thereof to enjoy all the rights, privileges and immunities guaranteed to other citizens under the federal constitution.

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ACADEMY IN ROME

Incorporation Bill Passed by Senate

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The senate began its session today by passing a bill for the incorporation of the American academy in Rome.

When Mr. Bailey's resolution for the discharge of the conferees on the statehood bill was laid before the senate Mr. Bailey said he understood there was a bare hope of agreement by the conference committee and therefore he would not press the resolution. It remained on the table.

The sundry civil appropriation bill was then laid before the senate and the provisions which were passed over last night were considered. The first of these related to the expenses of judges of circuit courts of appeals holding court outside their circuits. The house provision allowed "not exceeding ten dollars per day."

Mr. Platt (Conn.) suggested a sub providing pay for "reasonable expenses actually incurred for travel and attendance," and making it applicable to all "justices or judges who shall attend the circuit court of appeals held at any other place than where they reside, not to exceed $10 per day."

The amendment was accepted as was also another placing the same restriction upon the expenses of district judges holding court outside their districts.

Mr. Culberson presented an amendment prohibiting the allowance of fees to U. S. District attorneys in excess of the salaries. He said the amendment was aimed especially at the office of the district attorney for the southern district of New York and he quoted the report of the attorney general in support of a statement that in four years fees amounting to $219,000 had been paid to the district attorney for that district in addition to his salary.

Mr. Platt (Conn.) suggested that the duties attaching to the office of district attorney for the southern district of New York were so arduous that the salary of $6000 was not adequate. Mr. Wilson made a point of order against the amendment, contending that it proposed general legislation.

Mr. Bacon suggested a fixed salary of $10,000 per year.

Mr. Depew said that the New York district attorney had been overwhelmed by the duties of his office.

Mr. Allison did not press his point of order.

Mr. Bacon's amendment fixing a salary of $10,000 for the district attorney of New York was accepted, and Mr. Culberson's amendment as thus modified was agreed to. It prohibits the payment of fees to district attorneys except in the case of the District of Columbia.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—When the house convened today a number of members questioned the accuracy of the record last night on the mileage question.

The river and harbor appropriation bill was sent to conference with Messrs. Burton (Ohio) Dovener (W. Va.) and Lester (Ga.) as house committee.

A conference report on the fortifications appropriation was agreed to, which finally passed the measure.

The conference report on the agricultural appropriation bill which was agreed to finally passed the measure.

The house insisted on its disagreement to the senate amendments.

Panama canal zone government bill and amendment was sent back for further conference, the conferees being reappointed.

The conference report on the naval appropriation bill was represented only a partial agreement, came up next. Mr. Foss (Ills.) explained that the proposed increase of 1200 officers and men in the marine corps was still in dispute. In so far as the conferees had agreed the report was adopted.

ADJUST CLAIMS

Engineers and Firemen in Conference

NEW YORK, March 2.—A conference between representatives of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen was held in the Grand Union hotel in this city today, to adjust if possible the conflicting claims of the engineers and firemen employed on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad. There were present in the conference when it began Grand Chief Warren Stone of the Engineers and Grand Master J. J. Hannahan and Second Vice Grand Master Timothy Shea, of the Firemen. The meeting was held in the room of Grand Chief Stone. Members of the adjustment committees of the Engineers and Firemen employed on the railroad affected were expected to take part in the meeting but they were not present when the officers of the two brotherhoods began their conference.

It was hoped from the exchange of views in this conference a way would be found to avert threatened trouble on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad.

The differences arise from the fact that the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen demanded from the management of the railroad a right to represent engineers who are members of their organization when they are called before an official on a complaint. The Brotherhood of Engineers contends that such men should be represented by members of the Engineers' Brotherhood.

The conferees were joined later by Assistant Grand Chief Edwin Hurley of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

It was stated that the adjustment committee of the firemen's organization would arrive from New Haven later and go into conference with the officials.

"HOP" SMITH DEAD.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 2.—James Smith, known widely to Yale graduates and followers of Yale sports as "Hop", died suddenly here today of heart disease. He was 87 years old. For a quarter of a century or more he figured as a "mascot" at various Yale athletic contests, traveling extensively with the football and baseball teams especially.

PLOT ASSERTED

Schwartz Denies He Wed Mrs. Schriter

PORTLAND, Me., March 2—The question of whether William Schwartz, a young shoemaker of this city, is the husband of Rebecca Lefi Schriter, who claims him and came all the way from Russian to find him, came before Judge Bonney in the superior court today.

Schwartz denies the marriage and says he never met her before her arrival here two weeks ago. He alleges that her coming here is a part of the plot arranged by Portland Hebrews who have been persecuting him because he renounced their religious faith and affiliated with the Chestnut street Methodist Church. He says he is but 17 years of age, and has been in Portland 18 months.

His alleged wife will testify in court that his real name is Wolf Schriter—not William Schwartz—that he married her in Russia, Jan. 1, 1904. After they had lived together a week, she relates, he came to America with her father and promised to send for her as soon as he obtained employment. She let him have $100, she says, a gift from her parents on her wedding day.

A short time ago his mother received from him a photograph of himself and gave it to his alleged wife. The latter, seeing on it the advertisement of the photographer, sent it to her brother-in-law in New York. The brother-in-law came to Portland, and then sent for the alleged wife. Through the police department a meeting was brought about. Schwartz at first declared he was not married, but afterward made a partial acknowledgement and took her to his home.

A few days later Schwartz appeared at the police station with a complaint that he had been assulted by Charles Israelson and Hymen Winstein. They were arrested. The trial was held yesterday. Schwartz testified that they struck him, took away his Bible and other articles and threatened to kill him. The respondents denied the allegation and said they had simply tried to bring husband and wife together. Recorder Whelden discharged the respondents.

The trial will come up on a petition of Mrs. Schriter for separate support and maintenance. She will present a certificate of marriage and the local rabbi and several Hebrews will testify in her behalf. Some of the most prominent members of the Chestnut Street Methodist church have been assisting Schwartz, believing his stories about the religious persecutions. Some of these members attended the police court trial yesterday.

Schwartz zsays he is but 17. His alleged wife says he is 19, and that she is 20 years of age. To a reporter last night she said through an interpreter:

"I don't expect or want to live with him. My only object now is to get a divorce from him, and must, of course, first establish the legality of the marriage. He said that business was slack at his shop and he couldn't afford to maintain me. I replied that we could live in one room, if necessary, and I would do my part toward maintenance. He advised me to go to New York and find some work to do, and said he would come to me as soon as he could. I declined."

SHAMROCK SEEDS

CAN BE IMPORTED FREE OF CHARGE.

NEW YORK, March 2.—A Philadelphia revenue collector who attempted to assess imports on shamrock seeds from Ireland at 30 per cent. ad valorem has been reversed by a ruling of the board of general appraisers here. The importers protest that the seeds should be allowed free entry as grass seed was sustained.

BUDDY RYAN

BROKE LOSE ON CLANCY IN LAST ROUND.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2—For five and one-half rounds Jack Clancy of San Francisco and Buddy Ryan of Chicago last night fought one of the neatest bouts seen in this city for many weeks. In almost every round it was a case of blow for blow, with the men breaking clean at the word of Referee McGuigan. With the final round one-half over and the spectators murmuring, "A good draw," a surprise was sprung.

Three times the Chicagoan forced Clancy to clinch, which the latter did with right good will. Then Buddy made a final rush in an effort to land a knockout. The time, however, was too short and Clancy was still on his feet but wobbling when the gong sounded.

The manner in which Ryan fought in the last half round of the bout proved to the spectators that he is Clancy's master and that the Chicagoan was working "under wraps" in the earlier rounds.

KILLED HIMSELF

A PHYSICIAN WAS SUFFERING FROM MELANCHOLIA.

FALL RIVER, Mass., March 2.—Dr. William G. Robinson, 54 years old, a New York physician, unmarried and living with his mother in the metropolis committed suicide Wednesday at East Freetown. Robinson was suffering from melancholia resulting from an attack of the grip. He blew the top of his head off with a shotgun. He was visiting H. F. Hurlburt of East Freetown, whose wife is his sister.

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STUBBORN FIGHT

Japanese and Russians Battle in the Darkness

RUSSIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Huan Mountain, March 1—After an all-night battle the Russian forces which seized the railroad bridge across the Shakhe river, retired after having destroyed the Japanese fortifications at the farther end of the bridge and thrown the Japanese forces there into consternation. The Japanese losses were heavy. The attack on the bridge began at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening. Under cover of a heavy bombardment by field, siege and mortar batteries. Russian chasseurs dashed forward and crossed the bridge, which was illuminated by Japanese searchlights, drove back the defenders and occupied the further end of the bridge. There the chasseurs threw up hasty entrenchments and soon drove the Japanese from their defences at the head of the bridge. An hour later other chasseurs rushed across the bridge and seized and fortified a thicket opposite Lamuting, overcoming a number of wolf holes and wire entanglements, and blew up the Japanese redoubts. The artillery meanwhile kept up the bombardment and succeeded by midnight in demolishing the Japanese searchlight. Then a stubborn fight in the darkness began, the gloom being but slightly alleviated by the pale light of the stars and the reflection from fires kindled by the explosion of shells. The Japanese brought up their quick firing guns and forced the Russians to abandon the thicket, from which position the Japanese proceeded to bombard the regiments holding the head of the bridge. The fight was desperate and at close quarters. The Japanese rushed up heavy columns of reinforcements and charged repeatedly across the river, strewing the ice with the bodies of their dead. At dawn the Russians retired across the river, carrying their wounded, but leaving 100 dead behind.

The Russians are exultant over the losses inflicted upon the Japanese in this rally and are eager to renew the fight.

JAPANESE ATTACKS WERE REPULSED

SAKHETUN, Manchuria, March 1.—Delayed in transmission—A stubborn fight is waging on the left wing. Vigorous attacks of the Japanese on the village of Kudaza have been repulsed and the Russians maintain their position by reason of the intervention of a relief column which attacked the Japanese from the west after two passes had been occupied. This column was hard pressed by the Japanese and suffered great losses. It advanced in detachments to the neighborhood of Ubenupusa and was attacked thrice during the night, but repulsed all the onslaughts.

To the eastward the Japanese made a night attack on Kutal pass. Some of the assaults were repulsed but at 9 a.m. the Russian advance guard vacated two outworks which had been destroyed by the Japanese artillery and retired to adjacent and better fortified positions.

The Japanese attacked Nanshanpu in the Khandiensan district at 6 a.m. but were repulsed.

GERMAN COLLIERS TO JOIN SQUADRON

PORT SAID, Egypt, March 2.—Nine German colliers, chartered from the Hamburg-American Steamship company, proceeded to Jibutil, French Somaliland today. It is believed they are on their way to join Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron. Two other steamers with stores have sailed for the same destination.

FANATICAL BRAVERY OF THE JAPANESE

OUBENEPUSA, Feb. 28.—Via Mukden, March 2.—One of the coldest and most cheerless operations of the winter's warfare in Manchuria, was the 13-mile retreat of the Tsinkhetchen division the night of Feb. 26 from Dapass to Oubenepusa.

All day General Bennenkampff's soldiers, wearied by a week of continual fighting and disheartened by the abandonment of Tsinkhetchen, had flung off attack after attack by overwhelming numbers of Japanese in order to cover the withdrawal of supplies which had been accumulated in large warehouses at Solun. At 9 o'clock at night the dreary retreat began. The wind was high and the cold bitter and snow falling heavily. Weary and supperless the soldiers scarcely could see their file leaders. Every minute the rattle of musketry became louder, and the bursting shrapnel occasionally illuminated the heights to the eastward. It became evident to every man of the command plodding through the deepening snow that the danger of being cut off was imminent. Only the coolness and courage of the commander averted disaster.

The retreat was so timed that the rear guard reached Oubenepusa just on time. The force retreating on the easterly road had been driven in on the village; and the forces, uniting, fixed bayonets, turned and in utter darkness, drove the Japanese back two miles.

On Feb. 27, the Japanese renewed their attack, but the Russians repulsed repeated assaults.

Today (Feb. 28) there was desperate fighting, but the Japanese have succeeded in retaining possession of the village.

The Japanese fought with fanatical bravery, making several night attacks and charging under cover of darkness and a fierce snow storm almost up to the muzzles of the Russian batteries, which met them with canister and grape.

JAPANESE INFANTRY OCCUPY VILLAGES

GENERAL KUROKI'S HEADQUARTERS, via Fusan, March 2—During the night the Japanese infantry crept forward from the hills and took three small villages in front of Witosan on the plain close to the river which has been the scene of many outpost affairs. The column advanced northeast and captured the town of Kodaiaes, 15 miles from Witosan. The engagement there was not severe. The artillery duel is continuing in the east, and is most active about Witosan but the cannonading is neither as heavy nor as unceasing as heard from the westward. The batteries of both armies have maintained their positions and are exchanging volleys of shrapnel across the villages.

One village the Japanese occupied was subjected to a fierce bombardment of solid shot but the two companies there stuck to their positions.

JAPANESE RANSACKED PUBLIC BUILDINGS

NEWCHWANG, March 2—Via Tien Tsin—A detachment of 400 Japanese cavalry with one gun raided Sinmintin about 30 miles west of Mukden this afternoon. With the gun trained on the main street the troopers ransacked the public buildings and Chinese inns.

For months past Sinmintin has been the headquarters of contraband trade and the Japanese heretofore have not interfered with it.

On the arrival of the Japanese at Sinmintin the streets were quickly cleared, the Chinese went in hiding and the great crowd of Greek and German traders became panic-stricken but the Japanese did not touch the carts which were waiting to make a night trip to Mukden. Three Cossacks were discovered. One of them was killed and the others escaped.

The Chinese report that previous to their entry into Sinmintin the Japanese dispersed a small body of Russian scouts, capturing 15 of them.

On the completion of their examination the Japanese withdrew to Pauchiatun. An engagement is expected as it is known that Cossacks are not far distant.

Ten thousand Japanese troops are reported to be three miles south of Pauchiatun and numbers of Japanese in Chinese clothes are along the Kouhantze line.

It is possible that the Japanese may seize Sinmintin as it has long been denentralized owing to Russian traffic there. There are large accumulations of stores at Chencow and Kouhantze.

Sinmintin is now quiet. The Japanese hold all the roads. On all sides are groups of Chinese whispering together and expectant camp followers who are anxiously awaiting instructions to pass out with their laden carts.

It is reported here that Gen. Kuropatkin's left has advanced six miles.

JAPANESE FORCE PURSUES RUSSIANS

TOKIO, 2.30 p. m.—Advices from the headquarters of the Japanese armies in Manchuria show that the Japanese activity on the extreme right continues. That wing is pressing forward and is dislodging the Russians.

A despatch from headquarters says:

"Our force in the Singking (Yenden) direction after occupying Tsingvochong (Tsinkhetchen) is now pursuing the enemy northward. We captured large quantities of provisions at Tsinkhetchen.

"Our force at Houshu is gradually dislodging the enemy from his position 13 miles northeast of Bentsiaputze and from another position seven miles northwest. The first position is four miles west of the second. Our force has pressed the enemy northward of the Shakhe River and has captured Sunmapaotzu, Tiachinhutun and Sunhupoatz, three miles north of Waito Mountain. The enemy has many field and heavy siege guns on either side of the railroad heretofore unused and is now shelling us."

DEBATE POSTPONED

IN COLORADO'S CONTEST FOR THE GOVERNORSHIP.

DENVER, Colo., March 2.—Consideration of the reports of the committee which heard the evidence in James H. Peabody's contest for the office for governor, was postponed today by the joint committee of the general assembly on account of the death of Edward O. Walcott, former U. S. senator from Colorado. The general assembly appointed a committee to draw resolutions in memory of the late senator.

CHURCH SOLD

IT WILL BE USED AS BOARDING HOUSE.

NANTUCKET, March 2.—The property known as the People's Baptist church, on Centre street, and formerly the old Quaker meeting house, was yesterday sold to John Roberts, who will convert the building into an addition to his boarding house. The pews, hymn books and pulpit were sold at auction yesterday afternoon, the church Bible being the only article not sold. The People's Baptist society disbanded last October. The Rev. J. E. Dinsmore was its last pastor.

BRIBERY CASE

THIRTY MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURE TESTIFIED.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 2—Thirty members of the Indiana legislature testified today before the grand jury in the bribery investigation. Each member on coming out said he knew nothing about any bribery in the legislature either accomplished or attempted.

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WITH THE HORSES

Items of Interest Clipped and Gleamed

The old three in five will govern early closing events at Readville this season.

The late Col. Henry S. Russell was a brother-in-law of the late J. Malcolm Forbes.

A. J. Furbush of Brighton has the fast trotting gelding, Hylie Bird, 2.15¼, by Early Bird, 2.10.

The trotting mare, Kitty Giltner, 2.16¼, by Gazette, 2.07¼, is boss of the Newark, N. J., speedway.

There are two full brothers of Sam Rysdyk, 2.09¼, owned by C. H. Clark of Gananoque, Can.

Sidney Dillon is a trifle under fifteen hands high and weighs 1100 pounds which considering his height is an uncommon weight for a trotter.

Bob Bever of Worcester, Mass., purchased through A. H. Merrill, the brown stallion, Kentucky Star, 2.24¼, by Baron Wilson, son of Baron Wilkes, 2.18.

Star Lily, 2.17¼, winner of the famous Flower City $10,000 stake in 1899, will be bred to John A. McKerron, 2.04½. She is owned by Andy Welch, of Hartford, Conn.

Siva, 2.13¾, by Guy Wilkes, 2.15¼, winner of the M. and M., as a 4-year-old in 1903, has been shipped to Maple Lawn farm, Delavan, Ill., and will be bred to Parole, 2.16.

The famous Canadian ice racer, Looking Glass, 2.19¼, fell during a collision on the first turn the second day of the Ottawa meeting. After the accident his driver could hardly get him around the place. Foxy old race horse is he.

Alexander MacLaren, the multi-millionaire of Buckingham, P. Q., has the honor of winning the first $1000 trotting stake ever contested over ice, at Ottawa, with Lady Mary Tudor, a daughter of Directum, dam by Robert McGregor.

Curt Gosnell, the well-known Indiana trainer, who won 26 first moneys with four horses last season, will train a public stable this season, and will road his horses at Cambridge City, Ind., until April 1, when he will go to some good track.

The famous Palo Alto farm is not entirely out of the trotting horse business as the two trotting stallions Mendocino, 2.19½, by Electioneer, and McKenna, by McKinney, 2.11¼, dam Helena, 2.11¼, by Electioneer, are offered for public service there.

The trotter that can beat the record of 2.36½ in Madison Square Garden for a mile can win more money than he could by winning one of the big stakes on the big ring. There are men ready to bet all kinds of money that no horse can do it and trot to rule.

Poteen's First, 2.29¼, by Poteen, bred and owned by the Wellington stock farm, was being driven across the railroad track at Wellington, O., recently, when one of its hoofs was caught between the planking and a rail and wrenched off. The horse was valued at $1500.

Farmers who raise only one or two foals a year should always keep in mind the fact that there is more profit in keeping one good broad mare and sending her to a well-bred stallion that is a good individual every year than in a yard full of common or ordinary mares. The more that a man raises from the latter kind the smaller his bank account will be.

The Philadelphia man who bought Sadie Baron, 2.09¼ at the recent New York sale, paying $710, loaded her into a box car and did not send a caretaker along. On the way to Philadelphia some one got into the car, stole the blankets and when the mare was unloaded her temperature was 107. Doubts are entertained of her recovery.

There are some horses who seem gifted with the heritage of perpetual youth. Colbert, 2.07½, the 17-year-old son of Onward, 2.25¼, and the sire of Nervolo, 2.01¼, and so many other fast ones, won a match race against Black Pilot, 2.16¼, on the ice at Ottawa, Ill., last Wednesday, and proved to the 4000 spectators that horses, like men, are only as old as they think they are.

Among the fast trotters likely to race this season are Tiverton, 2.04½; Sweet Marie, 2.04¼; George G., 2.06¼; McKinley, 2.06¼; Charley Herr, 2.07; Snyder McGregor, 2.07¼; Caspian, 2.07¼; Dr. Strong, 2.07½; Stanley Dillon, 2.07¾; Chase, 2.07¾; Kinney Lou, 2.07¾; and Consuela S., 2.07¾. Fereno, 2.05½, will not race, nor will Hawthorne, 2.08¼, both having been bred. Monte Carlo, 2.07¼, is unlikely to ever race professionally again, and the same is true of Prince of Orange, 2.06½.

The two best green pacers that have been seen the winter in Canada are Blackbird, a black gelding, sired by Alcyonium Boy, owned by Charles Willoughby of Keswick, Ont., and Major B. O., son of Bourbon Patchen, owned by W. Clement of Quebec. Neither have a turf record, but have not been beaten when really out for King Edward's gold over ice this year. The former may be the Canadian entry in the chamber of commerce stake at Detroit next July.

HALF FARE BILL

Is Constitutional Says Supreme Court

BOSTON, March 2.—The legislation under which street railway companies other than the Boston Elevated Railway company are required to carry pupils of the public schools to and from schools at half the regular fare, was declared constitutional today by the full bench of the Massachusetts supreme court. The decision was in the case of the commonwealth against the Interstate Consolidated Street Railway company. The court finds that the legislation does not necessarily require the company to conduct its business at a loss inasmuch as it can increase the regular five cent fare.

The railway company contended that the statute was unconstitutional as it did not apply to all street railways nor to all persons using street railways, nor even to all pupils of all schools, but only to those of the public schools. This was regarded by the court as the most serious question in the case. Inasmuch, however, as the selection of this class of pupils was not entirely arbitrary the legislature was held to have the power to concern itself with the transportation of children to the public schools in the interest of popular education, just as it provides the children with books and other necessaries.

COTTON CROP.

BERLIN, March 2.—The cotton crop of German East Africa for 1905 is about 4,000,000 pounds unseeded, according to the German East African Gazette.

SIX KILLED BY AVALANCHE

INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA, MARCH 2.—SIX CHILDREN WERE KILLED TODAY BY AN AVALANCHE WHICH OVERWHELMED THE HOUSE OF A PEASANT NEAR AUSSER WILGARTEN. THE OTHER OCCUPANTS, WHO WERE INJURED, WERE EXTRICATED ALIVE.

From Yesterday's Late Edition

MAYOR HELD UP

Health Department's Requisition for Horses

BELIEVING THAT DEPT. SHOULD WAIT

Until Appropriations Committee Reports

Among the requisitions that came before Mayor Casey this morning was one from the health department for two horses and his honor held up the requisition on the ground that at the present time the department has no appropriation for additional horses, while the report of the appropriations committee probably reporting an appropriation for horses in this department is about due.

The park commission sent in a requisition for seeds which reminds us that the glorious springtime is nigh.

HIGH SCHOOL WON

Local Team Too Much for Lawrence

The Lowell High school basketball team had an easy time defeating Lawrence High school in the annex last night. It was a runaway game for the locals and the visiting team seemed unable to cope with the superior team work of the High school lads. The final score was 44 to 10 in favor of the home team.

HAVERHILL 44, PORTSMOUTH 31.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., March 2—Last night at Pierce hall, Haverhill defeated Portsmouth in a rough game by a score of 44 to 31. The summary:

PORTSMOUTH	HAVERHILL
Healey rf	lb Haggerty
Enos, Kelleher lf	rb Williamson
Horan c	c Wachter
Henschel rb	lf Doyle
Glon lf	rf Kennedy

Score, Haverhill 44, Portsmouth 31. Goals from floor, Wachter 7, Williamson, Kennedy 7, Doyle 5, Haggerty 2, Kelleher 4, Healey 4, Horan 2, Henschel 2, Glon 2. Points from fouls, Portsmouth 3, Timers, Parshley and Enos. Time three 15m periods. Attendance 300. Referee, Banfele.

NOTES.

On next Monday night in Associate hall the famous ladies' basketball team from Philadelphia which won the championship of America and which has defeated some strong teams composed of men will appear against a team composed of Allard, Tighe, Devlin, Donnelly and Qualey. The girls play the same style of game as the league teams and an interesting contest is expected. Undoubtedly a great crowd will be on hand as it will be the first time that this team has appeared in this section although they have a great reputation in New York and Pennsylvania.

FUNERALS

O'CONNELL—The funeral of the late Daniel O'Connell took place this morning from the funeral parlors of John J. O'Connell & Co. in Central street and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at nine o'clock by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I. The choir was in attendance and sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by the members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. Michael Murphy and Thomas Murphy of Lawrence, Michael O'Connell, Bartholomew Cahill, Jeremiah Bailey and Daniel Mullane. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Flynn, O. M. I. The funeral was under the direction of funeral directors John O'Connell & Co.

QUINN—The funeral of the late Patrick Quinn took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from the home of his brother, Henry Quinn, 45 Durant street, and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. A high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Michael's at nine o'clock by Rev. Francis Mullin. The choir was in attendance and sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by the members of the choir.

There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence showing the esteem in which deceased was held by his many friends and acquaintances.

The interment was in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Directors John J. O'Connell & Co.

DEATHS

FANNING—Thomas Fanning, aged 21 years, died this morning at the home of his parents, John and Catherine, 32 Stanley street. Besides his father and mother he leaves four sisters, Misses Katherine, Alice and Margaret and Mrs. Edward Shougro, and two brothers, Patrick and John A.

MURPHY—Mrs. Nellie Murphy, aged 39 years and five months, died today at the city hospital. The deceased was the the wife of William H. Murphy and was suffering from apoplexy. The remains were removed to the funeral parlors of A. H. Bixby & Co., in Merrimack street.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

SEVERE INJURIES

Woodchopper and Son Badly Burned

NEW HARTFORD, Conn., March 2.—Joseph Brida, an Italian wood chopper, and his three-year-old son, have been seriously burned in a fire which consumed the shanty which served them as a dwelling in the woods in a remote section of this town. Brida and his wife have been boarding a crew of wood choppers. While they were at dinner a pan of grease on the stove caught fire and one of the boarders seized a pail which he thought contained water, and threw the liquid on the stove to extinguish the flames. The liquid, however, was kerosene, which blazing instantly spread the fire over the whole interior of the shanty, setting fire to the clothing of all the occupants. All were more or less burned but the injuries of Brida and the boy were most severe. They were removed to the Hartford hospital.

THOMAS LAWSON

AUTHOR OF FRENZIED FINANCE, MAKES CHARGES.

BOSTON, March 2.—Thomas W. Lawson was the principal speaker today before the committee on public lighting at the state house at the hearing on the several bills which have been introduced to the legislature in relation to the Boston gas situation. Mr. Lawson talked for over an hour in which time he discussed several phases of the present condition of the manufacture and the sale of gas. He claimed that as a silent partner in the development of Boston gas litigation and combination he was familiar with the situation. He believed, he said, that the majority of the gas commission had not been sitting honestly on the question of the consolidation of the new Boston Consolidated Gas company and the question of 80 cent gas for Boston. He charged that the board was biased in its opinion.

WENT ASHORE

FRENCH LINER LA BRETAGNE WAS NOT INJURED.

NEW YORK, March 2.—While making a sharp turn in the main ship channel at Southwest Spit, in the lower bay today, the French liner La Bretagne outward bound to Havre, went ashore. She touched on sandy bottom and was soon freed by the rising tide and her engines. She then proceeded on her voyage apparently uninjured.

La Bretagne carried among her passengers Commanders Saxe and Von Essen and several other officers of the Russian navy who surrendered at Port Arthur and are on their way to Russia under parole.

OFFICER SHOT

HIS ASSAILANT BELIEVED TO BE AN ANARCHIST.

PARIS, March 2—During an affray today attending the strike of a large number of the Paris carriage makers a striker shot and dangerously wounded a policeman. The officer's assailant was arrested and found to have a number of anarchistic documents in his possession.

THE ARMY BILL

WAS SIGNED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—President Roosevelt today signed the army appropriation bill, the second of the big supply measures to reach him in completed form.

FOR PERJURY

EX-COUNCILMAN CURRY GOT 18 MONTHS.

BOSTON, March 2.—John L. Curry, formerly a member of the common council from ward 9, who pleaded guilty to two counts of a perjury indictment charging him with giving "straw bail," appeared before Judge DeCourcy in the superior criminal court yesterday afternoon and received a sentence of 18 months in the house of correction.

Curry admitted that he was guilty of the offence, but said there was no criminal intent on his part, he merely offered himself as surety as a favor to some old friends. His mother, he said, was dependent upon him for support, and he requested the court to be merciful for her sake.

Curry was arrested under the name of Perry after offering himself as surety for a woman accused of maintaining a questionable house, and later a second case was traced to him.

WILLIAM ROBYN DEAD.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 2.—William Robyn, 91 years old, the organizer of the first symphony orchestra west of Pittsburg, died today.

FISKE BRICK CO. TRUSTEE.

BOSTON, March 2—J. Wells Farley of this city was today appointed trustee for the Fiske Brick Company which was recently involuntarily petitioned into bankruptcy. The first meeting of creditors was held today a large number of claims being presented and approved. The schedule filed with the court shows the liabilities of the Fiske Company total $20,158 and that the assets amount to $11,710.

YALE UNIVERSITY EXPENSE.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 2.—An analysis of the income and expense account of Yale University appears in the Yale Alumni Weekly today which shows that in cost of tuition alone there was paid out last year fifteen per cent. more than the Yale students paid back as tuition fees. Taking the while university four items alone show that there was an excess of $213,355 or about sixty per cent. excess of cost to the university over and above what the students paid in.

11,000 NESTS

Destroyed by Park Department Employes

The park commission will meet at 7.30 o'clock this evening at city hall.

This department up to date has destroyed over 11,000 brown tail moth nests and there are still thousands left.

BOTH INDICTED

MEN ACCUSED OF BREAKING INTO POSTOFFICE.

BOSTON, March 2.—Charged with having broken into the postoffices at East Holliston and Mendon, James F. Blake, alias Edward C. Sprague and Paul Richter, also known as William Ford, were indicted today by the United States grand jury. It is alleged by the postoffice inspectors that Blake and Richter are wanted in various towns throughout New England on the charge of robbing postoffices.

Frank A. Dolan, night foreman of the Back Bay postoffice in this city was indicted on a charge of stealing letters valued between $3000 and $5000.

As a result of complaints lodged by the immigration officials Simon Harris and Aaron E. Myers, who are well known in politics in the south end district, were indicted on the charge of perjury in connection with the naturalization of Abraham Perriman, who was also indicted.

MANY VISITORS

STREETS OF WASHINGTON FILLED WITH STRANGERS.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—All incoming trains today brought in large crowds of inaugural visitors. The hotel lobbies are crowded and the streets are filled with strangers.

Gov. Blanchard and staff of Louisiana were among the arrivals today and numerous civil organizations came on the afternoon trains. The committee on street decorations is putting the finishing touches on its elaborate scheme of embellishing the line of parade and the "court of victory" into which the plaza in front of white house, treasury and state, war and navy buildings has been transformed, is almost complete. Yesterday's snow has practically disappeared. The rough riders' organization held a meeting today at which virtually all of the thirty or more members were present and arranged for a drill this afternoon at Fort Meyer, the idea being to train the mounts to be used by the Rough Riders in the parade. They will be headed by former Gov. Brodie. Several of them were introduced to the president today by Col. Brodie.

Admiral Dewey, who has been ill with the grip, will not be able to take any part in the inauguration ceremonies and it is possible that some other officer of the navy may be selected to take his place as the representative of that branch of the military service. If that is done the selection would probably be Rear-Admiral Francis J. Higginson.

The inauguration committee met today and voted an appropriation of $2,000 for the expense of illuminating the "court of history" in connection with the inaugural festivities.

OFFICERS ELECTED

BY ANCIENT ORDER OF UNITED WORKMEN.

BOSTON, March 2.—The Ancient Order of United Workmen in convention yesterday elected these officers:

Grand master workman, John Symonds, Lynn; grand foreman, Isaac W. C. Webster, of Newburyport; grand overseer, James J. Reedy of Cambridge; grand recorder, Charles C. Fearing, of Boston; grand guide, John J. Sullivan of West Roxbury; grand inside watchman, G. H. Harrigan of Somerville; grand outside watchman, James Davenport, of Florence.

GOVERNOR ROBERTS ILL.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 2.—Gov. Henry Roberts is confined to his home by an attack of grip, but his condition is reported somewhat improved today. On the advice of his physician he has abandoned the trip to Washington to attend President Roosevelt's inauguration.

FIRE IN BOSTON

Dangerous Blaze in Lumber District

BOSTON, March 2.—A fire which started in the extensive lumber plant of Bracker and Shepard, 354 Albany street, just before 11 o'clock today, quickly assumed dangerous proportions. The concern occupies a number of buildings in the center of what is known as the lumber district, and when it was seen that the fire was a threatening one three alarms in quick succession were given.

The fire apparently started in the wood-working shop which extends from Albany street to Harrison avenue. From there it spread to one of the lumber yards which is bounded by Albany street, Dover street and Harrison avenue. At 11.15 it was thought that the amount of apparatus summoned by the three alarms would be sufficient to control the flames.

BOSTON, March 2—Two large lumber sheds and a part of a third one at the extensive hardwood lumber plant of Blacker and Shepard on Albany street, were burned just before noon today and a loss estimated at $25,000 was sustained. The blaze, which started between two piles of lumber, spread so quickly in spite of efforts made by workmen to put it out, that three alarms were given in quick succession. With the large amount of apparatus thus summoned the firemen were able to get control in about half an hour. The flames continued to burn fiercely for some time, but the damage was confined mainly to the lumber stored in the shed. The buildings occupied by the mechanical department and the offices escaped injury.

The fire was first seen by Howard C. Morse, secretary of the Blacker and Shepard Company. It was so small that he thought he could put it out quickly, but failing and seeing that efforts of the yard force could not succeed, the city department was summoned. From the location of the fire when Mr. Morse saw it is believed that an incendiary had been at work and James B. Dunn, state fire marshal, who reached the yard before the fire was under control, at once began an investigation. The loss is covered by insurance.

WORK RESUMED

TROUBLES OF THE QUARRYMEN SETTLED.

NEW LONDON, Conn., March 2.—The matters in dispute between the quarry owners of Great Neck and Graniteville and the stone cutters employed by them having been settled after a conference, the men today resumed work in these quarries. They have entered into a three years' agreement which provides that the minimum day wage for stone cutters shall be $3.00 except in cases where the cutter is rendered physically unable to do a full day's work by reason of old age or other infirmity when the rate may be made less. An increase of about seven per cent. in the "piece" bill of 1900 is granted and some changes are made in the minor rules governing the relations of workmen and employers.

At a conference of cutters and bosses of this city today the demands of the workmen were settled in practically the same way as those of surrounding towns and the men will return to work Friday morning.

EMPEROR WILLIAM

WILL VISIT PORTUGUESE KING AND QUEEN.

BERLIN, March 2.—Emperor William's southern excursion on which he starts about March 23, will include the National Gazette says, a visit to the Portuguese king and queen at Lisbon. The emperor, it is added, will also be greeted at Vigo by a member of the Spanish royal family and later the German emperor will visit the King of Italy.

LASTERS' STRIKE

SETTLED THROUGH EFFORTS OF RICHARD BARRY.

LYNN, Mass., March 2.—The strike of the lasters at G. A. Creighton & Sons' shoe factory was settled this noon through the efforts of Richard P. Barry of the state board of arbitration and the strikers will return. The entire dispute was referred to the state board for its decision.

TABLE TUMBLERS 2c EACH

1 Dozen Given Away with 1 lb. of our 60c Tea or 1 lb. of Baking Powder.

N. B.—We roast our Coffee fresh every day.

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M. O'KEEFFE

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The Very Best Green Mountain Potatoes (not Hebrons) ... 14c Peck
The Very Best Fancy Smoked Shoulders ... 7½c lb.
The Very Best Fresh Roast Pork ... 10c lb.
The Very Best Salt Pork Ribs ... 8c lb.
The Best New York Hand-Picked Pea Beans ... 7c qt.
Very Good Bean Pork ... 7c lb.
The Very Best Bread Flour ... 85c Bag
10 lb. pail Pure Leaf Lard (kettle-rendered) ... 85c
10 lb. pail Swift's Jewel Lard ... 65c
Cape Cod Cranberries ... 4c qt.

15c bot. Golden Syrup ... 10c
15c bot. Best New Orleans Molasses ... 12c
15c bot. Porto Rico Molasses, 10c
15c bot. Mixed Pickles ... 10c
15c bot. Eng. Chow-Chow ... 10c
3 lb. can Baked Beans ... 8c
3 cans Very Best Peas ... 25c
Very Best Condensed Milk 8c can
Peerless Corn Starch ... 5c pkg.
Kennedy's Common Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Lemon Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Nic Nac Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Oyster Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Soda Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Graham Crackers, 10c lb.
Kennedy's Smyrna Fig Bars, 10c lb.
Kennedy's Tea Biscuits ... 8c lb.
Very Best Tea ... 40c lb.
Very Best Pure Coffee ... 25c lb.

All goods guaranteed. Prompt delivery to all parts of Lowell.

FIFTY ESCAPED

Employes Were Warned of Danger

FIRE IN WHOLESALE DRY GOODS DISTRICT

Three Alarms Sounded in New York

NEW YORK, March 3.—Fire which started in a six-story building in the wholesale dry goods district at Duane and Church streets today, gained headway so rapidly that when the apparatus called out by three alarms, reached the scene the whole building was in flames and a second building in the rear had taken fire. The building in which the fire started was occupied by the Merchants Rubber company and Theodore Ollesheimer & Brother, manufacturers of willow ware.

Fifty employes of the Ollesheimer firm who were at work on the upper floors of the building were warned of their danger soon after the fire started and all escaped without injury.

Flames from the burning building shot up into the air to a great height and this, together with great volumes of smoke which rolled away and spread over that section of the city, brought an immense throng of people to the scene. Even before the last piece of fire apparatus arrived, the crowd was far beyond the control of the police and extra fire patrols and reserves from nearby stations were called out to preserve order. The Sixth and Ninth avenue elevated lines pass within a short distance of the fire and the arrival of every down town train added hundreds to the crowd which pressed around the closely guarded fire lines.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

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MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

STRUCK BY AUTO

AARON BLANCHARD WAS KNOCKED DOWN IN MERRIMACK SQUARE.

Aaron Blanchard an aged man who resides in Belvidere was knocked down by an automobile in Merrimack Square this morning and fortunately escaped serious injury. The driver of the auto was Dr. Boyden H. Pillsbury and those who were eye witnesses to the affair say that the doctor was entirely blameless and that the auto was proceeding at a slow rate when the man was struck.

Mr. Blanchard was thrown to the ground and Officer Ryan ran to his assistance. Dr. Pillsbury stopped his auto and went to see if the man was in need of medical attendance but Mr. Blanchard said that "all it did was to knock the wind out of me."

MONTHLY COFFEE PARTY.

Once a year the men of Grace church run the monthly coffee party. Last evening's function was the fourth annual social given by the men of this church. Henry H. Harris was chairman of the committee of arrangements and was assisted by Harlan P. Godale and C. Arthur Abbott. The hosts were W. N. Goodale and John W. Stott, who were aided by a corps of efficient waiters, gentlemen of the church, over thirty in number, and they presented a natty appearance in their white coats and aprons.

The menu was served at 6 o'clock, and included escalloped oysters, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, baked beans, sliced ham, celery, hot rolls, cake and coffee. After the supper the company repaired to the chapel where the North Chelmsford truant school band entertained by well rendered selections. Mr. Bert Bedell gave vocal solos, and Miss Clara Mitchell read very acceptably. A candy table was in charge of Miss Mabel and Miss Addie Howes, and Mrs. Samuel Bigelow was chairman of the apron table. About 200 were present to supper.

FOUND DEAD

WOMAN WAS REPORTED TO BE WEALTHY.

PITTSFIELD, March 3—Lying on the edge of her bed, partly dressed, Mrs. Mary Haynor, residing in an isolated house on the Hancock road, was found dead by her nephew, Charles Mathes, late yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Haynor had evidently died of a hemorrhage Wednesday evening after 8 o'clock, as her daughter, Mrs. Annie Roberts, had left her about that time in apparently good health. She was 75 years of age, and had been ill from a cold. Mrs. Haynor was reputed wealthy, although she lived in an unfrequented neighborhood four miles from this city. She was eccentric. For several years she was engaged in the occupation of picking berries and often collected garbage for use on her small farm. She at one time was stopped by the police for persisting in walking about the city in her bare feet. Two daughters and one brother survive her.

HOLDS FIRE OVER NIGHT
STANLEY'S COAL
223 MOODY ST. 53 MEADOWCROFT ST. 12 THORNDIKE ST.

NATICK WINNING

Haverhill Defeated in the Second Game

NATICK, March 3.—Natick won the second consecutive game from Haverhill in the championship series in Concert hall last evening by a score of 18 to 16. In the second period only the quick work of the police prevented a riot. During an exchange of blows between Wachter and Fogarty, almost every man on both teams were in the mixup.

The rough-house work was started by Wachter, according to all reports, and Fogarty brought it to a close when he landed a knockout punch that put the "race horse" to the bad for a few minutes. The incident aroused the audience to the highest pitch of excitement and only the interference of the police prevented a general outbreak. It was the second of the post season series between these teams and both played hard to win. In the first period each scored the same number of times. In the second Haverhill went two points to the good but in the final period Natick came back in grand style and carried off the honors. The teams will play two more games in Natick and two more in Haverhill, and in case another game is necessary to decide the championship, which many believe will not be the case, it will be played in Lowell.

NATICK.		HAVERHILL.
Fogarty (Ferat) rf		lb Haggerty
Hough lf		rb Williamson
Mulliner c		c Wachter
Kinkaide rb		lf Kennedy
Mayham lb		rf Doyle

Score—Natick 18, Haverhill 16. Goals from floor—Fogarty 2, Hough 2, Kinkaide, Mayham, Williamson 2, Kennedy, Doyle 2. Points on fouls—Natick 6, Haverhill 6. Fouls called—On Fogarty 7, Ferat 2, Hough 2, Mulliner, Kinkaide 3, Mayham 3, Haggerty, Williamson 3, Wachter 3, Kennedy 4, Doyle. Referee—Charles Connors of Lowell. Timers—Kelliher, Dolan. Time—Three 15-minute periods. Attendance—500.

PREMIER PARENT

HAS DECIDED TO RESIGN HIS OFFICE.

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 3.—Hon. John Parent, premier of Quebec, has decided to resign, according to special dispatches from Quebec city. His leading opponent, Hon. Lomer Gouin, will be summoned tomorrow by the lieutenant governor to form a cabinet. The new cabinet, Mr. Gouin says, will consist of the following men:

Mr. Gouin, premier and minister of public works; Mr. Achumbalt, attorney general; Mr. Turgeon, minister of lands, mines and fisheries; Mr. McCorkill, treasurer of the province; Auguste Tessier, provincial secretary; Rodolph E. Remy, minister of agriculture; W. A. Wier and probably another minister without portfolio.

Ill health is the reason advanced for Premier Parent's retirement. His supporters in the legislature are outnumbered by those of the other Liberal faction and his withdrawal, it is claimed, could not have been long delayed.

FOR CLERKSHIPS

Civil Service Examinations at City Hall

A civil service examination for clerical places, under the municipal service, took place this morning in the common council chamber at city hall, in charge of Commissioner Charles H. Conant.

The general examination was taken by 14 men and one young woman, while the limited was taken by seven men and six young women.

POOR OVERSEERS

WILL INSPECT MONTHLY BILLS THIS EVENING.

The overseers of the poor will meet, to approve bills, at city hall tonight. Chairmen McCoy and Eastman will be on hand and each may attempt to preside.

MISSION FAILED

GENERAL VELUTINI HAS BEEN RECALLED.

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacoa, March 3.—President Castro of Venezuela, according to advices received here from Caracas, has just recalled General Antonio Velutini, second vice president of the republic, who some two years ago was appointed fiscal agent on Venezuela in Europe to arrange for the unification of the Venezuelan debt, owing to the failure of his mission.

REV. MR. MIX

IS IN NO HURRY TO COME TO LOWELL.

It is evident that Rev. Clifton H. Mix is in no hurry to come to this city, having been called to the First Congregational church, for he has bought a house in that city, according to the Worcester Telegram which says:

Rev. Clifton H. Mix, the new pastor of Pilgrim church, has bought the house formerly owned by Caleb Colvin, 822 Main street, at the corner of Norwood street, and as soon as it can be put in condition for occupancy, Rev. and Mrs. Mix and their four children will move into it.

The purchase price is not made public, but it is understood that Rev. Mr. Mix bought at a bargain. The Worcester house directory has the building valued at $5200, and the land of which there are 11,465 feet, at $8000, a total of $13,200.

The house contains 13 rooms, with spacious halls on the ground floor and upstairs. It is within one minute's walk of the church, and near the Woodland street school.

DRACUT EVENTS

PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY AT CHARLES McCARTHY'S HOME.

A very pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. McCarthy in Collinsville last night, their son Eugene, being the recipient of a combination writing desk and book case from four of his friends.

The presentation speech was made by Edward Brennan and the recipient responded. During the evening the following musical program was carried out: Songs, Eugene McCarthy, Edward Jennings, David Kennedy, Walter Marshall, Margaret Kennedy, Edward McKinley and Mary Furlong; duet, by Miss Rose Gorman and Mr. Walter Marshall; trio, David Kennedy, Walter Marshall and George Campbell. The piano was presided over by Miss Gertrude Furlong, Miss Bridget Sullivan and Eugene G. McCarthy.

During the evening refreshments were served. About 60 people were in attendance, many of them coming from Lowell.

THE MATHEWS

INTERESTING NOTES FROM THAT POPULAR SOCIETY.

The Dramatic club of the Mathews went to Boston yesterday. There were 14 in the party, Misses Mary Joyce, Elizabeth Doran, Jennie Maguire, Josephine Johnson, Catherine McDonough and Lillian O'Brien, and Messrs. William F. Thornton, John J. Lyons, John J. Coyne, Dennis J. Sullivan, Thomas J. Beane, Daniel P. McKenna, Patrick J. Kane and Bernard McNally.

The party left on the 3.47 o'clock train and had a dinner at the Quincy house. In the evening the party attended the Tremont theatre and saw E. S. Willard in "The Brighter Side". They returned home on the theatre train.

Elaborate preparatiions are being made for the Easter Monday ball. The floor director will be elected on March 21st.

The weekly meeting of the Glee club was held at the rooms last night. Jas. A. Murphy has charge and there are more than 50 members. They are preparing to sing the Gregorian mass at St. Michael's church on Palm Sunday. This will be the second time a male choir has ever sung this music in a church in this city. Last year this same club sang it at the same church.

FOX PIANOFORTE RECITAL.

The Steinert & Sons Company announce a pianoforte recital by the distinguished pianist, Mr. Felix Fox. The program which Mr. Fox will play is one exciting the interest of all musicians and musical lovers, contains several pieces new even to musicians, and one piece, Moriz Rosenthal's "Variations on an original theme", has never been played before in America. A good audience is already assured for the occasion, and those that have not purchased tickets already may find them at the piano rooms of the M. Steinert & Sons Co., 120 Merrimack street. The recital is to take place in Colonial hall on Thursday evening, March 9th.

CHURCH MUSICALE.

A musicale was held at the residence of Mrs. Eugene D. Jefferson, 44 Boylston street, last night, the affair being in aid of the coming fair of St. John's Episcopal church. The program was well received, it consisting of musical numbers. The numbers included a selection by Miss Pauline Jefferson, a violin solo by Miss Irene Martin, piano music by Mr. Wilfred Kershaw, a cornet solo by Roswell Jefferson and song by Miss Alice Hutchinson, with violin and piano obligato by Miss Martin and Mr. Kershaw.

Gilbride's Busy Corner
Gilbride's
MERRIMACK & PALMER STREETS
Gilbride's Busy Corner
LOWELL'S BEST, BRIGHTEST AND BUSIEST STORE

Cloak and Suit Rooms, Primary Spring Display

A Great Sale of
Ribbons
Will Commence This
Friday Morning

The sale will surpass all other sales previously held. We bought a lot of Black and White Ribbons from one of the best ribbon manufacturers in the country at a price which will enable us to give you big values. We'll not be apt to give as great bargains in many a year, so come today.

Double Faced White Satin Ribbon, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD
Double Faced White Satin Ribbon, regular price 33c yard. Sale price .....23c YARD
White Satin Taffeta Ribbon, regular price 25c yard. Sale price.....15c YARD
White Taffeta Ribbon, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD
Fine Heavy Black Taffeta, just the thing for hair bows, regular price 33c. Sale price....23c YARD
Extra Quality Black Taffeta, regular price 23c yard. Sale price.....15c YARD
Black Taffeta, good width, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD
Black Satin Taffeta, No. 100, regular price 37½c yard. Sale price .....29c YARD

We Are Showing New Spring
COVERT JACKETS

The new jackets are "all right." Makers have hit the perfection of shape this spring. The ideal Covert Jacket is here, you cannot find equal qualities, you cannot find better prices. Come and see.

We have Box Coats in various lengths and a splendid line to make a selection from.

See Merrimack St. Window Display.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS

Individuality is the keynote in the hundreds of suits we have ready for spring, individuality of cloth, of style, of the very buttons—that is what you'll find in even the least expensive of our suits. The fabrics include Panamas, Henriettas, Mohairs, Serges and novelties. Our prices and styles cannot fail to please and satisfy.

See Merrimack St. Window Display.

LACES LACES

This is to be a lace season. Rich laces are here in abundance, the assembly is peerless—you know that or ought to. Many sorts of the latest and loveliest are only here—and at prices that are rare for lowness.

Laces on Display in Merrimack St. Window.

First Come, First Served A Word to the Wise is Sufficient

GILBRIDE'S
The Reliable Corner Store
MERRIMACK AND PALMER STREETS

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1905. The Committee on Liquor Law will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying Senate bill No. 104) of Eugene C. Webster and others for legislation to divide the city of Boston into districts within which local option in the matter of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors may be exercised; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 580) of Henry L. Dewey for legislation to regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in wards and cities which vote to license such sale at room No. 444 State House, on Friday, March 3rd at 10.30 o'clock a. m. EDWARD C. PAULL, Chairman. THOMAS L. DAVIS, Clerk of the Committee.

Notice is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of Peter Mitchell, late of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to James J. Welch, 73 Glidden Bldg., Lowell, Mass.
JAMES J. WELCH, Executor.
February 21, 1905.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 1, 1905. The Committee on Labor will give a hearing to parties interested in House bill No. 20 on hours of women and minors making textile goods; House bill No. 21 on overtime work of women and minors; House bill No. 346 on payment of textile operatives; House bill No. 347 on employment of women and children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, and Senate bill No. 107 on employment of minors at room No. 249 State House, on Tuesday, March 7th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. SAM'EL ROSS, Chairman. GEO. A. SCHOFIELD, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 2, 1905. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill, No. 147, on registration of certain easements by the Land Court; House bill No. 571, to amend law for punishment for murder in first degree, at room No. 227, State House, on Thursday, March 9th at 10.30 o'clock a. m. CHESTER W. CLARK, Chairman. WILLIAM H. WOODHEAD, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 1, 1905. The Committee on Mercantile Affairs will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying House bill No. 349) of Lucius R. Eastman, Jr., for legislation to require the burying of high voltage electric wires; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 594) of Andrew Johnson for legislation to authorize towns and certain cities to construct, operate and maintain conduits and their connecting structures for electrical wires, cables and conductors; a petition (with accompanying Senate bill No. 167) of Arthur S. Knell and others that the Hampden Electric Company may be incorporated; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 583) of William M. Brigham for legislation to amend the laws relative to the transmission of electricity and the powers of municipalities relative thereto, at room No. 431, State House, on Wednesday, March 8th at 10.30 o'clock a. m. F. M. HEATH, Chairman. GEO. F. THORBURN, Clerk of the Committee.

WANTED

WANTED—Children to board in a good home. Inquire at Sun Office.

CASH PAID for apples, and barrels back at Harvey & Co.'s, 39 Chelmsford st., or at car Thorndike st. R. R. track.

PHYSICAL CULTURE lessons, private or classes for appointments. Address Instructor, Box 536, Lowell.

WANTED—Children to board in country, desirable home; terms reasonable. Address Nelson, R. F. D., Billerica Centre.

MISCELLANEOUS

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office. 355 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

MADAME FORREST the renowned clairvoyant and life reader wishes to announce her arrival in Lowell. All who are in trouble or in want of information can consult her at 177 Middlesex st. up one flight. Card readings 25c. Walk in.

WHITE SEWING MACHINE—Ladies before buying a machine see our ballbearing rotary machine. It is the lightest and fastest and most endurable machine in the market. Second hand machines for sale. 376 Bridge st.

MIRACLE. The great German rust exterminator. Takes the rust off lawn mowers, cutlery, in fact everything, without labor. Once used always used. For sale by all leading hardware houses. Price 25 cents. Hugo Hill, Manufacturer.

MOTHERS—Rent's destroyer kills lice on children and all insects; cures dandruff and itching scalp; prevents falling hair, harmless, 25c only at Falls & Burkinshaw's, 418 Middlesex st.

THE WONDERFUL new drink Gloria gives health and youthful vigor. Boyle Bros. Agents. Telephone.

WE HAVE ALL the Fall Blocks of Hats and are prepared to supply the gentlemen of this city. Stiff hats cleaned free at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex st. The practical hatter.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 300,000 women. Price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LIMBERG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 112½ Bridge street. Telephone.

OFFICE OF BOARD OF POLICE

March 1, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that all licenses to use or employ wagons, carts, sleighs or other vehicles in the job or express business, or to sell or expose for sale in a wagon or other vehicle, fish, oysters, clams or lobsters, or to use or employ hackney coaches, cabs, coupes or carriages to convey persons from place to place for hire, will expire March 31, 1905.

Applications for renewal of such licenses should be made at this office not later than noon, March 11, 1905.

By order of Board of Police.
JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

SEVEN BARKS
FOR CONSTIPATION
FOR SALE BY
F. & E. BAILEY & CO. Apothecaries
Cor Merrimack and John Sts.
Lowell, Mass.

C. & S.
WASHING FLUID COMPOUND
Potash, Sal Tartar, Ammonia and Borax.
20c Can will make 2 gallons Fluid
Carter & Sherburne
CUT PRICE DRUGGISTS
Merrimack, Cor. Bridge Street

SPECIAL NOTICES

NOTICE—To the public that Mrs. Hilma Gott, 131 Moore st, has opened an employment office and has a number of girls that would like situations, also girls seeking places to do general housework. Please apply.

OLD TRADING STAMPS—We will exchange any kind at fair value to a Discount Book which is redeemable for $1 cash and is free. Come in and get one. Purchasers' Discount Co., 53 Central st.

MISS J. MONTPLAISIR, Dressmaker, wishes to announce that she has removed to 403 Moody st. Open evenings.

MRS. AGNES ALLEN please call at 378 Adams st., up one flight. A friend here wants to see you. Be sure and call after 6 o'clock p. m.

D. BAKER & CO. wish to announce to their customers that they have moved from 159 Gorham st. to 303 Middlesex st. Rooms papered with gilt paper and border to match including hanging for $2, estimates cheerfully given on painting, whitewashing, etc. First class work guaranteed.

AWNING USERS—Beware of anybody who attempts to represent us without our business card or who claims we are out of business. We are doing business at the same old stand, 209 Dutton street, Cross Awning and Sign Co.

WALL PAPER of good quality and practical man to hang it, $2 per room (discount for quantities.) T. H. Siddeley, 780 Gorham st.

YOU WANT DISHES—We will give you all the dishes you want in your home provided you buy your teas and coffees at our store. Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack st.

MR. EVANGELOS COSTAKIS, a grocer doing business at 63 Cheever street, started in business last October. Besides the Greek trade he has the trade of a large number of the French people, as they like very much the Oriental produce. In little Canada there are over 500 Greeks.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Table girl at 98 John st.

WANTED—A girl about 17 years old to mind two children. Call 14 Webster Ave.

WANTED—Carriage painters. Inquire at Sawyer Carriage Co., Worthen st.

WANTED—A first class general house girl, must be god cook and laundress. Good pay, small family. Mrs. Balch's employment office, 434 Westford st.

WANTED—A good lady or gentleman to introduce our new photo checks at the New Ideal Studio, 118 Merrimack st. Can make $5 per day.

WANTED—At once, an experienced kitchen girl. Thomas Don, 56 Mass. Corp. Opp. Prescott mills.

WANTED—A girl for general housework must be good cook and laundress. Apply 417 Bridge st.

WANTED—Experienced house girl. Apply 8 Washington st.

WANTED—A first class milliner, good salary and long season, a young lady that speaks French preferred. References required. Call at once at E. Robinson's, 103 Essex st., Lawrence, Mass.

WANTED—At once five nappers, experienced hands, good pay, at Chicopee Mfg. Co., Chicopee Falls, Mass.

AGENTS WANTED—Lady agents to represent large importing house in every locality. Good selling specialties. G. E. White & Co., 100-102 Franklin st., Chicago, Ill.

EXPERIENCED makers wanted. Inquire of Miss Rogers, 175 Merrimack st.

ANY intelligent person may earn good income corresponding for newspapers. Experience unnecessary. Send for particulars. Press Syndicate, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED—A second hand portable oven cheap. Payable by instalments. John McIntosh, Baker, Lawrence.

WANTED—Energetic man, each county, to post signs, advertise and distribute samples; salary, $18 weekly, $3 per day for expenses. Honesty and sobriety more essential than experience. National Co., 720 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

WANTED
Frame Spinners, Weavers, Speeder Tenders and Spoolers. GOOD WAGES.
—APPLY TO—
Hamilton Mills,
Amesbury, Mass.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE—On Rogers street, Belvidere, two story, ten room house with bath and pantry and seven thousand feet of land all fenced in. Smith & Cavanaugh, Donovan building, Central st.

BUSINESS CHANCES

THE BEST OPPORTUNITY in existence for the investment of small and large sums of idle money where it will produce a large and steady monthly revenue without risk of loss. Principal back on demand. For full particulars, address W. H. Latimer, 413 Walnut st., Philadelphia, Pa.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Situation in dressmaker's shop. Wilkinson, 88 First st.

AN EXPERIENCED NURSE wishes to go out nursing; confinement cases are a specialty with her. Inquire at 22 Phillipps st.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Boston bull, black brindle, stub tail, nine months old. Return to George O. Perrault, 49 French st.

FOUND—A parcel. Owner inquire John Russett, 127 Ford st.

LOST—A pocketbook containing a large sum of money between Carney bank and Pollard's basement. Finder inquire for Miss O'Neil at Bon Marche and receive reward.

LOST—A dollar bill on Church st., between George st. and Post Office Tuesday. Please return to 175 Church st.

LOST—A lady's gold watch with black fob, between Palmer and Merrimack sts. Return to 158 Market st. and receive reward.

LOST—A French bull pup, 15 months old with "bat" ears. Reward at 385 Gorham street.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Three talking machines, little used, for one-third cost price. Old Columbia records exchanged. Brazer & Co., Central cor. Market st.

FOR SALE—A small Galvanic battery in perfect repair at half price, $3. Inquire at Sun Office.

FOR SALE—Wood yard, established 20 years, motor power, wagons, horses; everything one-half price. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Lodging house and grocery store combined, $250, come and see it. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—16-room lodging house on Merrimack st., $500. 9-room lodging house $110. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Store doing $90 week, 10 room tenement. Here is a bargain, owner sick, $225. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Stock and fixtures of grocery store suitable for woman to keep. Good tenement goes with it, rent cheap. Inquire at this office.

HOUSE LOTS for sale at Wamesit, $19 each, $2 down, 50 cents weekly until paid. Mr. Fogg, Room 22 Hildreth Building.

FOR SALE—3 pool tables, nearly new, tobacco fixtures, lunch fixtures, cash register, coffee tank, show cases, draperies, etc., will sell cheap. 208 French st., flat 1.

FOR SALE—A well established, good paying fancy goods and millinery store for sale cheap. Apply at 117 Essex st., Lawrence.

FOR SALE—A Backus Gas Engine, 8 horse power, none better, has been used but a short time. Inquire at Gumb Bros.' 1258 Gorham st.

FOR SALE—Stamped burlap rug patterns in floral, animal and Turkish designs. Bring this adv. for special discount to 212 Merrimack st., Upstairs.

FOR SALE—In a Massachusetts town of 2500 inhabitants a store, prop. been there 14 years, selling on account of sickness; good stock consisting of dry groceries, men's furnishings, large stock of patent medicines, also tobacco and candy. Directly opposite a large school thereby making large candy trade; 3 minutes walk to B. & M. station, and only 10 miles from Lowell. Must be sold, sold cheap to right party. Call and see at once. F. L. Fletcher, Graniteville, Mass.

WE HAVE FOR SALE the best paying stores in Lowell, just the places for yourself, son or daughter. Do not buy or sell before consulting Gordon, 219 Central st.

FOR SALE—Cheap fuel. Otto Coke; lasts as long as coal and costs less. Stove size, $5.75 per ton; Egg size, $5.50 per ton. We also keep best grades of coal. Mail and telephone orders promptly attended to. Moore & Preston Coal Co. Telephone 1366-2.

MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY TO LOAN to salaried people, your own personal note for security, all business transactions will be strictly confidential. Apply to T. H. Kelley, Broker, Middlesex st.

MONEY LOANED—Overcome your difficulties, our plan of loaning money on salaries is the most liberal to be found anywhere, easy weekly payments. All transactions confidential. Massachusetts Loan Co., Room 22, Hildreth Building.

MONEY LOANED salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters and others, without security, easy payments, offices in 50 leading cities. Tolman, room 48 Hildreth Building, 45 Merrimack st.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security, boarding houses, teamsters, salaried loans a specialty. Best terms obtainable, liberal discount for prompt payments, commission paid. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate Building.

DON'T BE SHORT—Plenty of money to loan to salaried people, merchants, boarding house keepers, teamsters, etc. Easy weekly payments, lowest rates in the city. Confidential; no publicity; no delay. Special inducements for quick payments. Private office. U. S. Loan Co., 90 Prescott st., room 5, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, diamonds, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinhas, room 9, Barristers' Hall.

TO LET

TO LET—Two cottages at Batchelder Place, off Walker st., price $9 and $12. Keys may be found at Mrs. Henry's across street. Wm. A. Read, 228 Liberty st.

TO LET—House of 14 rooms, bath and set tubs, good location for lodgers. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—8-room tenement, Powell st., near Shaw's Hosiery, rent $10. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Flat of 5 rooms and bath, Andover st., rent $15. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Tenements of 4 and 6 rooms, handy to mills and in good repair. Apply to Henry Miller Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Low priced tenements for small families, two rooms with all conveniences for housekeeping, $1.50 per month; three rooms $3.50; five rooms, $6.50; three rooms on the Highlands, $7. All in good locations and newly papered and painted. T. H. ELLIOTT, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Pleasant steam heated room suitable for one or two. Inquire 42 Hurd st.

TO LET—Clean, desirable rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Will let to either ladies or gentlemen. Desirable parties only. E. E. Hunter, 512 Central street.

TO LET OR FOR SALE—90 acre farm, 1-2 in a grass line, two-tenement house, 2 barns, 100 good apple trees, 4 miles from Lowell. Call at 33 Fifth avenue.

TO LET—A suite of rooms heated and first class order, also one single room, open fire place and heated, in the I. O. O. F. Temple, 84 Middlesex st. Inquire of the janitor.

TO LET—Nicely furnished front room bay window, heated, lighted, bath, telephone. 40 Second street.

TO LET—Store 366 Merrimack st. possession given March 1st. Thomas G. Gerrish, 15 Gould Ave., Malden, Mass.

TO LET—Corner Windsor & Westford streets two six room flats all hard wood floors; steam heat, continuous hot water and gas range furnished. All modern conveniences. Apply James H. Walker, 43 Fletcher street. Tel. 911-2.

REMOVAL—Miss Josephine Bonan, dressmaker, formerly at Edson block, Merrimack street, has removed to Central block, 53 Central street. No cards. Everyone welcome. Take elevator. Rooms 82-83. Tel. 1114-3.

TRACKS BLOCKED

Train on Pennsylvania Road Wrecked

ALTOONA, Pa., March 2.—A westbound freight train over the Pennsylvania railroad parted and crashed together at Lilly, Pa., today. Eight cars were wrecked and all tracks were blocked before it could be flagged, the third section of train No. 16, composed of two engines, one baggage car and six pullman sleepers, crashed into the wreckage. Both engines and two sleepers were badly damaged but no one was injured. The train carried inauguration excursionists on their way to Washington. The passengers in the damaged cars were transferred and brought to this city where they were provided with other sleepers and proceeded on their journey.

BASE BALL

The Lynn Independents will expend a part of the $10,000 raised to fight league baseball by appealing to the courts for action against the baseball trust, according to the following information from the Lynn Item:

There is a possibility at present of baseball litigation, in which Lynn will figure as the centre of interest. As things stand at present, the directors of the Lynn Baseball and Amusement association have under consideration legal action to test the validity of the ruling of the baseball leagues for protection of league territory, to the effect that a team that plays with an independent team in territory claimed to be under league control will be marked as an outlaw and suffer accordingly.

The test case appears to be over the Murray Hills, a strong independent club, of New York that plays holidays, Saturday afternoon and Sunday games on its own grounds and from time to time plays with teams of the Connecticut league. The Murray Hills have been signed to play a series of games on the new association circuit that has been formed through the activities of the Lynn association, including Lynn, Brockton, Worcester and Portland, with a chance of Lawrence being added.

Lynn is considered league territory, as it is claimed by the New England league because of location of a franchise here. The presence of the Murray Hill team in Lynn to play with the association team would under the league rule be an act of outlawry, in that it would be an invasion of league territory, and league territory, roughly bounded, is anywhere within five miles of the place where a franchise in either of the major leagues or any of the sanctioned minor leagues have teams.

Manager Leonard of the Lynn Association team has received this week a letter from Manager Strong of the Murray Hills, in which the New Yorker states that he has been informed by President Murnane of the New England league that the Murray Hills must keep out of Lynn and other league territory, or they would be declared outlawed and refused games in the Connecticut league cities or with any of the major league teams or the teams of the Connecticut, Eastern or New England league teams, and the outlaw edict would, of course, extend to players on the Murray Hills, whose chance of getting into bigger company would be cut off because of playing in an outlawed team.

Manager Strong writes that he has consulted with officials of the American and National leagues, and that he has been advised to keep his engagements in New England for a series of games with the independent teams in the association circuit, including Lynn. He also writes that as a baseball man he has never failed to keep engagements made and that he does not propose to depart from that rule now.

Manager Leonard has placed the matter before the directors of the Lynn association, and Steve Parsons is looking into the legal phase of the issue. Meanwhile there is no opportunity for immediate retaliatory action, though, of course, if the Murray Hills play in Lynn with the association team and subsequently find that there is baseball discrimination against the team on that account the ground for legal proceedings will be afforded and taken advantage of. This is one of the interesting features of the local baseball situation.

There is a blind man is New York who is a regular devotee of the game at the Polo grounds—wholly blind. As his companion informs him what is happening his face is as interesting a study in expression as that of any other crank. Another's eyes and his own ears keep him pretty well posted on all that is going on. He can almost tell a base hit from the ring of it, and when a member of the home team is on third and there comes a hit, his face lights up with pleasure. Or if the batter goes out, the audible expression of disappointment of the crowd is reflected on his face.

Base hits and runs cut more figure with Manager Johnny McGraw than signs and omens. Aggressive and assertive as McGraw is, he is not without diplomacy on occasions. Just after a close game one day which his team had lost, McGraw approached the umpire and asked:

"Mr. Umpire, what would happen to me if I should call an umpire an incompetent robber?"

"You would be fined," was the umpire's response.

"And what would happen to me if I merely thought the umpire was an incompetent robber?"

"Why, nothing could be done to you then," replied the umpire.

"Well, let it go at that," said McGraw.

CYCLE NEWS

Poulain, the French bicycle rider, who has recently attained envious prominence through a series of victories, was born on the island of Jersey in 1880, of French parents. He began riding when quite young and later, when his home was moved to St. Nazaire, figured five or six years ago in amateur races in local regions. Last year he went to Paris and attracted the attention of all bicycle enthusiasts by his extraordinary riding prowess. This eventually placed him in the front ranks of professional racers. During the winter he has gained still further prominence by defeating Jacquelin and others who have been bound to acknowledge him their superior. After racing so long on a closed track, such as the Velodrome d'Hiver, in Paris, it will be interesting to follow the meets in the open air when he will compete with racing celebrities of America, who are going over.

"The most travelled road by bicyclists and automobilists, without a doubt, is the road leading from Haarlem to The Hague, Holland," says L. Van Leeuwen of Sassenheim, Holland, in a Milwaukee paper. "Along this road is the famous bulb country, a patch of about 25 miles in length and two in width.

"When in bloom these fields cannot be surpassed in beauty, and no one who has seen them at that time but will go into raptures over the scene. It is estimated that 25,000 bicyclists pass along this road every day and more than 500 automobiles. The queen herself is to be seen almost daily on this road at that season of the year."

Mrs. K. E. Gardner of Columbus avenue, has gone to Washington to remain a few weeks. On her return trip she will visit in New York.

The White Store

114—Merrimack Street—116

"Wholesale Retailing"

The celebrated "Onyx Dye", fleece lined Cotton Hose, double soles, high spliced heels and toes, ribbed or welted tops. Not the ordinary 25c hose, but the 29c and 39c grades, marked 18c,

3 prs. 50c

The famous "L. B." and "Minerva Mills" winter weight fleece lined Vests and Pants, made of the finest combed cotton, handsomely trimmed with silk. Always sell for 50c. Regular and extra sizes, all 38c,

3 for $1.00

SPECIAL

11 to 2 o'clock

Saturday

A discount of 10 per cent. on any $1.00 Petticoat in our store. Over 1000 Petticoats in all styles, colors and materials to select from

Our Regular Saturday Offering in Dependable Muslin Underwear

"CHIC" CORSET COVERS. Dainty nainsook covers, beautifully trimmed with lace and embroidery, in eight exclusive styles, regular 75c value, while they last

50c

"CHIC" DRAWERS—Made of fine Cambric with a heavy blind hamburg ruffle headed with tucks. Nothing as good less than 75c. While they last

50c

THE ON THE SQUARE BELL

31 TO 41 MERRIMACK ST.
LOWELL, MASS.

Saturday, March 4

Positively the Last Day of the Great Mark Down Clearance Sale

Men's Suits, Overcoats and Pants

Ladies' Furs, Coats and Suits

Children's Clothing

Women's and Men's Shoes and Rubbers

Men's Furnishings

This Grand Wind Up Day Will Afford the Greatest Bargains on Earth

Don't Fail to See Our Windows

BELL SHOE AND CLOTHING COMPANY

31 to 41 MERRIMACK STREET

BOWLING NEWS

The Wonders, even if they cannot defeat the Connemaras, have demonstrated the fact that they can easily trim the Bowlaway, the followers of Deputy Welch, last night, for the second time, defeating the Bowlaway bowling team. The game was played on the Bowlaway alleys and the score at the end of the third string was 2279 to 2123.

Dave Donaldson put up his usual high string, having a single of 260 and a triple of 494. Houston showed up the best for the defeated team. The score:

BOWLAWAYS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Houston	137	169	152	458
Laurence	122	139	154	[illegible]
Whalen	164	126	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hall	141	188	145	474
Dickey	135	144	149	428
Totals	673	750	769	2123

WONDERS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Welch	157	120	149	426
Atkinson	162	151	150	463
Barns	127	130	171	[illegible]
Donaldson	150	260	114	494
Maher	160	131	158	449
Totals	[illegible]	742	772	2279

THE BLIZZARDS WON.

Moors' Blizzards defeated Goodale's Lynos by a score of 749 to 714 on the Bowlaway alleys last night. Cuff of the winning team was high man. The score:

MOORS'S BLIZZARDS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Morris	78	92	85	255
O'Dea	76	82	72	230
Cuff	99	80	85	264
Totals	253	254	242	749

GOODALE'S LYNOS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Ordway	95	97	69	261
Bizree	65	88	74	227
Chase	69	77	80	226
Totals	229	262	223	714

BLIND TIGERS WON.

The Blind Tigers and a team from the Lowell Machine Shop rolled on the Bowlaway alleys last night, the former winning by an even 100 pins. Ashworth of the Tigers was high man. The score:

BLIND TIGERS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Johnston	72	71	90	233
Desmond	72	81	84	237
Tarney	86	87	84	257
McDonald	97	92	87	248
Ashworth	79	82	94	259
Totals	403	413	439	1255

LOWELL MACHINE SHOP.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Whitney	85	81	80	240
Bickford	80	72	71	223
Matherson	81	77	81	238
Stuart	81	71	81	233
Hall	79	71	68	212
Totals	396	378	381	1155

PRINT WORKS LEAGUE.

Teams One and Six of the Merrimack Print Works league rolled a game at the Bowlaway alleys last night, the former team winning by a good margin. Harrington was high man. The score:

TEAM 1.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Harrington	93	79	102	274
Rourke	73	97	79	249
MacAdam	92	74	82	248
Granfield	93	75	90	264
Nolen	84	89	93	266
Totals	441	414	447	1302

TEAM 6.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Harrigan	77	77	76	230
McLaughlin	78	97	87	262
Davis	83	87	78	248
McGovran	83	78	83	241
Trimble	83	85	71	239
Totals	404	424	395	1223

EXPRESSMEN BEATEN.

The Topsies defeated the American Express team on the Bowlaway alleys last night by a score of 1257 to 1154. The score:

TOPSIES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Tom Magee	78	79	86	243
J. Lawn	80	75	100	255
John Panton	74	87	82	241
John Magee	78	108	88	274
Patmand	84	86	71	241
Totals	394	432	431	1257

AMERICAN EXPRESS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Howe	61	81	67	209
Martin	68	81	[illegible]	225
Cook	74	69	66	209
Edgell	87	82	94	263
Collins	80	84	84	248
Totals	368	[illegible]	388	1154

Y. M. C. A. BOXBALL.

In an exciting game of boxball at the Y. M. C. A. last night the Dromedaries defeated the Buffaloes by 41 pins, a noticeable feature being eight spares secured by the winners, every man securing at least one. This is the sixth consecutive victory for the Dromedaries. The game tomorrow night, when they play the Crocodiles who are the leaders in the tournament will undoubtedly be full of interest. The score:

DROMEDARIES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
A. Myrick capt.	148	116	133	[illegible]
H. Macdonald	127	107	140	374
F. L. Glaty	129	87	137	[illegible]
W. H. Quinlan	129	136	145	421
C. Johnson	130	112	122	[illegible]
Totals	[illegible]	628	[illegible]	1916

BUFFALOES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
A. B. Hobbs capt.	134	136	142	[illegible]
C. Macdonald	121	111	[illegible]	[illegible]
J. Donahoe	118	104	135	357
R. Robitaille	126	127	119	372
A. Early	121	120	131	371
Totals	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1875

Spares—Glaty 2, Myrick 2, Quinlan 2, Hobbs, Johnson, H. Macdonald.

MAN IMPALED

MAIL WAGON WAS STRUCK BY AN ENGINE.

TAUNTON, March 3.—Joseph W. Smith, the oldest letter carrier in the local service, was dangerously injured at noon yesterday by a train striking the mail wagon in which he was riding, at Horton's crossing, on the Attleboro branch. Mr. Smith was thrown out and impaled on a picket fence beside the road. Both legs were injured and his arms and chest were terribly lacerated. The horse was not injured, but the wagon was demolished. Mr. Smith said he did not hear any whistle or bell when he was about to cross the track. He was conveyed to his home. The physicians cannot say how badly he is injured.

Lowell, Friday, March 3, 1905

A. G. POLLARD & CO.

"The Store for Thrifty People" is more than ever your store during this between-season-time. And you who follow up our bargain announcements as they appear day after day will find that your thrift has been fully repaid. There's a touch of spring in the store news these days.

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The $3 and $3.50 Grades Only

$1.98 a Pair

You've seen the window showing. Seems as though it's the best looking lot of Shoes we've ever offered. ***Patent and Enamel Leather, Vici, Velour, Box Calf, Colt and Kid Skin, made on all the new lasts.*** Button, Lace, Congress or Blucher.

Sale Today in Our Palmer Street Basement

Announcement

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE PRETORIA DIAMOND COMPANY FOR THE EXCLUSIVE SALE OF THEIR GOODS IN THIS CITY. PRETORIA DIAMONDS ARE THE GREATEST DISCOVERY OF THE AGE, BEING FOUND IN THE SAME EARTH OF THE CELEBRATED LARGE 3000 KARAT DIAMOND WHICH WAS MINED JUST RECENTLY IN SOUTH AFRICA. PRETORIA DIAMONDS, ALTHOUGH AN IMITATION, ARE FOUND IN THE SAME EARTH. IT HAS NOT ALL THE QUALITIES OF THE GENUINE DIAMOND, BUT IT WOULD TAKE AN EXPERT TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE. THEY HAVE THE SAME LUSTRE, THE SAME FIRE, THE SAME SPARKLE AND ALMOST AS HARD AS THE GENUINE DIAMOND, AS THEY WILL POSITIVELY STAND HEAT, WATER, ALKALI, ACIDS, ETC. THESE GOODS ARE WARRANTED TO WEAR FOR YEARS AND THE STONES WILL RETAIN THEIR BRILLIANCY FOREVER OR WE WILL REPLACE THEM WITH A NEW ONE FREE OF CHARGE IF THEY PROVE DIFFERENT. THEY ARE MOUNTED IN THE MOST EXQUISITE STYLE AND WORKMANSHIP. WE ASK THE PUBLIC TO CALL AT OUR STORE AND EXAMINE THESE WONDERFUL GOODS AND SEE THE BEAUTIFUL WINDOW DISPLAY OF SEMI-PRECIOUS STONES THAT HAS STARTLED THE WORLD ON THEIR NEAR APPROACH TO THE GENUINE ARTICLE. PRETORIA DIAMONDS ARE BEYOND ANY QUESTION OF DOUBT THE FINEST IMITATION DIAMOND EVER DISCOVERED. AFTER EXAMINING THESE GOODS YOU WILL READILY SEE THAT THEY ARE NOT TO BE CONFOUNDED WITH THE SO-CALLED RHINE STONE JEWELRY FOUND ON BARGAIN COUNTERS. ON SALE ONLY AT

A. G. Pollard & Co.'s
LOWELL, MASS.

Another Bargain Announcement From the

DRAPERY SECTION

Just received from the curtain manufacturers 2000 pairs of Ruffled Muslin Curtains which we're to offer at a third less than regular prices.

25 new styles, plain, figured, spotted or with stripes, tucked or hemstitched, full 2½ yards long, 36 inch body, with full 6 inch ruffle, worth from 98c to $1.50 a pair, only ....75c PAIR

175 pairs Jacquard Figured Muslin Curtains, 45 inches wide, 2½ yards long, worth $1.50 and $2.00, only 98c A PAIR

50 new styles of Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains, with lace edges and insertion to match, worth from $1.50 to $3.00, only ....98c, $1.25, $1.49 and $1.98

New Sateen Lambrequins, worth 98c, only ....49c A PAIR

Mercerized Sateen Lambrequins, 2½ yards long, 1 yard wide, strictly fast colors, heavy knotted fringe, only .... 98c EACH

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WASH GOODS DEPARTMENT

For Today and Tomorrow 200 Embroidered Lawn Waist Patterns. Fronts and cuffs elaborately worked and material enough for a waist, regular price $1.25, only....89c EACH

PALMER STREET—CENTRE AISLE.

Special Offer From the Fancy Grocery Section

2000 CANS CELEBRATED JUDGE SALMON

At 15c a Can; Two for 25c

The Celebrated Judge Salmon comes in porcelain jars, sealed, then packed in air-tight tins, the jars insuring perfect freedom from all deleterious effects of the ordinary tin packing. Besides this the salmon is especially selected for the export trade and is of highest grades. We offer these 2000 cans, regular price 20c each, at....15c CAN. 2 CANS FOR 25c

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Dr. White's Famous Cures

For Corns, Bunions and Callouses are here for TWO DAYS ONLY. These last days you may purchase two packages of plaster or foot powder for 25c, usually 15c package. If you've a foot trouble try these cures.

TOILET GOODS—WEST SECTION.

TEA AND COFFEE

SPECIAL FOR THESE TWO DAYS—

1 pound Coffee, ½ pound Formosa Tea, 1 bottle Catsup, 5 pounds Sugar. FOR 75c

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

M. and D. Bargains in Our Under Price Basement

The Most Economical Shopping Place in New England

Curtain Muslins, 40 inches wide, M. and D.'s price 12½c, only ....8c a Yard

Table Oil Cloth, 45 inches wide, all new patterns, only ....12½c a Yard

Large Size Turkish Towels, M. and D.'s price 25c, only .... 17c Each

Heavy Twill Domet Flannel, M. and D.'s price 10c, only....5c a Yard

Apron Gingham in a big assortment...3½c a Yard

Outing Flannels, M. and D.'s price 8c and 10c, only ....5c a Yard

Flannelette Shirt Waists, all this season's, 50c grade, only ....35c Each

Flannel Waists, all colors and sizes, worth $1.00 and $1.50, only....59c Each

Ladies' Wool and Cashmere Hose, black and grey, M. and D.'s price 25c, only....15c a Pair

Ladies' Heavy Fleeced Hose, M. and D.'s price 10c and 12½c ....8c a Pair

Ladies' Hose, drop stitch pattern, M. and D.'s price 25c, only....17c a Pair

Misses' Fleeced Underwear, heavy quality, M. and D.'s price 25c, only....15c a Pair

Boys' Heavy Cotton Hose, first quality, M. and D.'s price 12½c and 15c a pair, only...10c a Pair

Dress Steels ....3c a Dozen

Duplex Hose Supporters, M. and D.'s price 15c, only ....9c a Pair

Clark's Knitting Cotton, white and colors, ... 10c

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The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1904, was

14,539

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 2, 1905. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE-THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

THE SUN'S PLATFORM

FOR THE GOOD OF LOWELL

1. ADOPT a new charter giving the mayor full power to appoint and remove at will, the heads of all city departments and members of all boards or commissions.

2. ABOLISH the common council and provide for a single legislative board of 27 aldermen, three from each ward.

3.—CREATE public boards to have charge of streets, buildings, police, fire, pauper and water departments.

4. ANNEX portions of Dracut and Tewksbury, including the "Navy Yard" and the Andover road as far as the Hood farm.

5. ABOLISH the Merrimack street station and the grade crossings at Market, Thorndike and Middlesex streets and extend the northern station to Thorndike street.

6. BUILD a public hall and market on the White lot in Merrimack Square.

Lowell may soon be able to boast of a cotton mill of which all the officers are Lowell men.

Renovated butter is in demand in Lowell because genuine butter is so high priced that a great many people are unable to buy it.

Supt. Moffatt is the apostle of the finger print system of detecting criminals. The burglars and pickpockets have taken to wearing gloves.

How will the scheme to erect an international monument to Shakespeare strike the followers of the cipher critics who figured out that Bacon wrote Shakespeare's plays?

The Lowell cemetery will soon have two new features that it will be worth going to see, the first the new gate and second the monument to Louisa M. Wells, a mill girl of the days of Lucy Larcom.

The decent men of the board of overseers of the poor have the sympathy of their friends. They are blamed for the defects of the system and for the long established laxity in the methods of doing business.

THE BILL TO ABOLISH THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The bill now before the legislature for the abolition of the overseers of the poor provides for the submission of the measure to the voters of Lowell at the next city election. By that time the overseers and their friends may be able to work up a sentiment sufficient to defeat the measure and put off the abolition of the board for an indefinite period. There is no accounting for what the political machine will do.

The defects in the city charter are still in force because a radical revision of the charter was defeated at the polls. For this reason we believe that an amendment should be made to the bill, providing that the board be abolished with the approval of the city council. That would bring about the desired change at once. Of course if there was any question about the advisability of the measure we would favor the submission of the bill at the polls. As the measure is so palpably just and so plainly for the benefit of the poor and the city at large it should not be subject to the chances of defeat made possible by a crusade by political grafters through the machine while the decent citizens who suppose the matter will be approved simply go to the polls and vote for the bill.

This is a case in which it is absolutely safe to depart from what is properly made a general rule, that all charter changes should be referred to the people before being put into force. Necessity justifies the exception in case of the overseers of the poor.

CHICAGO ELECTION OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE.

There is an important contest on at Chicago, one in which the principle of municipal ownership as well as of democracy is to be fought out. It is to be decided at the city election next month when the people will elect for mayor either John Maynard Harland, the republican candidate, or Judge Edward F. Dunne, the candidate of the democracy.

Mr. Harland, a few years ago, was a leader of the radicals, but he has since thrown his entire influence into the hands of the traction interests and franchise grabbers who have attained great power in Chicago.

Judge Dunne, on the other hand, is one of the ablest jurists in Illinois, and he has entered the mayoralty contest only after almost irresistible pressure was brought to bear upon him. But having consented to be a candidate, he has declared for public ownership, and upon that issue the contest will be fought to a finish.

It will, therefore, be apparent that the election is of more than local interest, inasmuch as the same question will sooner or later come to every city. Speaking of the issue Judge Dunne says:

"I cannot, therefore, contemplate with stolid indifference the policy, now virtually confessed, of overriding the expressed will of the people and granting to J. Pierpont Morgan of New York, and the coterie of capitalists associated with him the exclusive right to use our streets for traction purposes for 20 years yet to come, if not indefinitely thereafter. This right is worth $200,000,000. The Morgan syndicate has already paid $25,000,000 for not a great deal more than the mere possibility of securing it from our city government. To such a policy I am opposed

"The traction question can be settled without giving to a Wall street syndicate franchises to be capitalized at many millions of dollars, which must be paid for by the people of Chicago before the city can establish municipal ownership of its street railways. It can be settled without depending upon contracts for good service, which have heretofore been delusive. It can be settled by proceeding immediately, as the people themselves have already demanded, to establish municipal ownership without dilatory compromises with stock-jobbing corporations. No further street franchises for corporate manipulation and profit ought or need be made."

Judging from this brief statement of Judge Dunne's policy it would appear that unless the people of Chicago are willing to vote against their own interests, to vote away their own rights, they have no alternative but to elect Judge Dunne in spite of the republican majority that is expected to stand by the party nominee. Judge Dunne is doing in Chicago what Tom L. Johnson is doing in Cleveland and what many other able men are doing in various parts of the country and what must be done when any attempt is made to capture the public rights and hold them for the oppression of the people to which they originally belonged.

SEEN AND HEARD

The sleighing is good, bad and indifferent and so is the wheeling.

This is the season of the year when the small boy's mind turns to marbles.

If the snow that extends the length and breadth of the water shed should take a notion to slide into the Merrimack river in a hurry there would happen the thing that spells "freshet."

Here are a few samples of the funny signs that the observant one sees in Lowell: "Shoes blacked inside." "Flag in your throat ten cents." "Wait for the fire sale." "Don't go elsewhere to be cheated, trade here." "Visit our store before purchasing elsewhere."

"Haven't you felt that way?" is a question asked by Maurice Smiley in Collier's Weekly and here's the way Maurice asks the question:

Haven't you often worn goggles of blue,
And seeing life's sham and its shame,
Felt it was all a big scramble, and you
Might as well get into the game?
That nothing much mattered but a big bunch of cash,
And the man who was good was a jay,
And the whole blooming country was going to smash;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

Haven't you felt is was hardly worth while
To try to live up to your best?
And haven't you smiled a cynical smile—
And something way down in your breast
Whispered that life had a prize that was higher than gold
And sweeter than fame or display?
And the faith that had slipped took a brand new hold;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

And didn't a peace come near that was far
And urge you to strive toward it still?
And didn't you turn your face to a star,
And didn't you say: "I will!"
And weren't you stronger, and didn't you find
The world was better, and didn't it pay
To be brave and patient and cheery and kind;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

If a certain little dog in this town had as much sense as a green goose he would not be going about with a badly scratched nose. The scratches were self-inflicted and bear painful testimony to the little fellow's desire to bury a piece of meat for future reference. Some good-hearted man in the employ of the Lowell Packing & Provision company gave the little dog a great big piece of meat and after he ate all that his little stomach would hold he looked for a hiding place for what was left. Thinking, perhaps, that the meat would be safer in the shadow of the police station, he carried it across the street and dropped it near the curbing at the police station. He tried to scratch a hole in the hard snow with his little paws. He didn't make very good headway, however, and he decided to see what he could do with his nose. He poked at the hard surface for about five minutes and when he got through his nose was bleeding from a series of scratches and the hole was not yet dug. He gave up in despair, took one fond glance at the meat and went away.

Charlie Morse's new snow plow operated in Varnum street a few days ago and the men who had shoveled pretty paths around and about their premises were so vexed that they swore in seven different languages. The snow plow threw the snow on the sidewalks and made great banks in places where the shovelers had made great wide paths. Some of the abutters thought the city men would clear out the paths they choked up but they soon found that they were not thinking along the right line. It cost one fellow a whole case of beer to have his paths shoveled. He told the men if they would shovel out the paths that they might go down cellar and help themselves to his beer. He reckoned that they would drink about six bottles. He was feeling thirsty when he arrived home in the evening and he went down cellar to get a bottle of beer and he found everything as empty as Mother Hubbard's cupboard.

Many amusing letters are received by theatrical managers, but Manager Al Haynes of the Casto received the appended letter Monday from a young lady of Laconia, N. H., who evidently has a yearning for stage honors:

Laconia, N. H., Feb. 24, 1905.

Dear Sir:—I am writing you a few line by asking you that would you like to have a skirt dance in your theatre. I am a first class skirt dance I dance for mainy years, if you wish to have one please answer at once and let me know and I will go I can dance for two week stand I dance in two different way so please answer at once and let me know when you would like me to go so I won't make anny ingagement for that time and tell me what is your salary and please answer at once and let me know if you wish to have a skirt dance or not and if you wish to have my photos I will send you one, and please answer at once.

Yours truly, ——.

The 1905 edition of "In The Maine Woods" is out and the publication is one of the neatest and most attractive that has reached this office for many moons. It contains 192 pages, ordinary magazine size, and the illustration on the front cover is in four colors and represents a huntsman on his way to camp; a man and woman, hunters, too, preparing to launch a canoe in a sheet of water where the eye can trace the shadow of the trees below the surface. The publication is replete with stories and pictures of the forest and stream, and contains a great deal of useful information. The book was written and arranged by Fred H. Clifford of Bangor, Me., and it represents the push and enterprise of the Bangor & Aroostook R. R.

SEVERAL VERDICTS

ONE FOR $3700 AGAINST BOSTON & NORTHERN ROAD.

BOSTON, March 3—A jury in the fourth session of the superior court yesterday disagreed in the case of Morris Goodman vs. the Boston elevated railway company. Plaintiff was injured Aug. 9, 1902, in a collision between a car and his horse and carriage on Canal street. He sued for $10,000.

In the second session before Judge Bond a jury returned a verdict of $2250 for the plaintiff in the case of Frank J. McIlbarron vs. Charles H. Fox et al, expressman. Plaintiff sued for $10,000 damages for injuries received by being struck by a ladder that projected from a wagon of the defendant's while it was turning the corner of Washington and Newton sts., June 3, 1903. The plaintiff was on the sidewalk and was struck on the head by the ladder.

A jury in the first session before Judge Harris, by agreement of parties, found for the defendant in the case of Bentley Thornton vs. the Newton & Boston street railway company. Plaintiff was injured by the sudden starting of a car, March 16, 1903.

Judge Hardy in the fifth session directed a verdict for the defendant in the case of William D. Baker vs. C. E. Osgood company, which was an action for damages for an alleged breach of a contract.

In the case of Agnes E. Mallon vs. Charles S. Burke, a jury in the sixth session before Judge Bell returned a verdict of $110 for the plaintiff. The action was to recover $100 paid as a deposit on the proposed renting of a house at Hull.

A verdict of $3500 for the plaintiff was returned by a jury in the same session in the suit brought by Margaret M. McKarron vs. the Boston & Northern street railway company, which was an action to recover $50,000 for injuries received while alighting from a car at the corner of Everett av. and Broadway, Chelsea.

In the case of Annie A. Dooling vs. the Boston elevated railway company a jury in the first session before Judge Harris returned a verdict of $475 for the plaintiff, who was injured by the sudden starting of a car in 1898.

SUPREME COURT

HANDS DOWN A DECISION AGAINST BOXING.

BOSTON, March 3.—The supreme court yesterday rendered a decision against the Tammany Social and Athletic club, which will affect nearly every Massachusetts boxing club now running, since they are promoted on a plan analogous to that upon which the Tammany Social and Athletic club in Whittier street, Roxbury, was conducted, and which the court holds is amenable to the statute prescribing a penalty for public boxing exhibitions.

The court holds that the bouts conducted by the club named, to which everybody was admitted upon fulfilling the requirement of a by-law of applying for membership in the club, were public exhibitions within the meaning of the revised laws, chap. 207, sec. 12, making it an offence for anyone to set up or promote such an exhibition for which the contestants have been promised or receive any reward.

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Opera House

THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 9TH

"The Governor's Daughter"

A drama of thrilling interest, bristling comedy, touching situations and dealing with life of today, produced by the GARRICK CLUB. In aid of the deserving charity, THE LOWELL HUMANE SOCIETY. Cast is composed of well-known local amateurs of reputation and ability.

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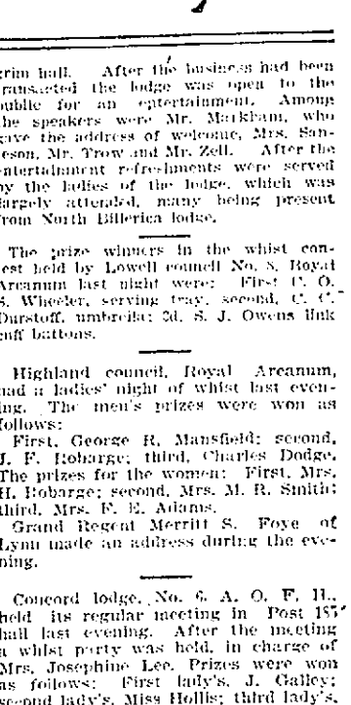
Rogers-Peet's Suits for $12.50

Today there are but 100 to sell; spring suits and some heavy weights that sold for $20, $25 and $28. A few a trifle lower. They are all at one price now **$12.50**

YOUNG MEN'S SUITS

sizes 31 to 34, breast measure, handsome spring suits and the remainders of winter lots that sold for $15, $18 and $20. All for **$10**



Handsome Rain Coats, Spring Overcoats and Covert Coats

A part of these made by Rogers, Peet & Co. were $15, $18 and $20. All in this sale to clean house, for **$10**

BALFOUR LOSING

Government Party is Badly Worried

LONDON, March 3.—The government's embarrassments are thickening daily. Mr. Chamberlain evidently takes Mr. Balfour's attempt to change the issue from fiscalities to home rule as "lying down," and the result is seen partly in the reduction of the government's majority yesterday and still more in some behind-the-scenes correspondence published this morning arising as follows:

At the beginning of the session Lord Stanley, free trader, and Mr. Fellows, M. P., both members of the government, promised to go to King's Lynn to speak for Thomas Gibson Bowles, another free trader conservative.

Their promise was confirmed by Sir Alexander Acland-Hood and was repeated as late as Feb. 27, but suddenly the engagements were cancelled.

Lord Stanley wrote to Mr. Bowles apologizing for an apparent breach of faith, stating that, owing to pressure of his colleagues, he and Mr. Fellows would be unable to fulfill the engagement.

A long correspondence between the parties concerned, which Mr. Bowles has given the papers today, followed, in which Lord Stanley and Acland-Hood pretend that Mr. Bowles was left in the lurch on account of his well-known tendency to criticise the government; but it is generally understood that Mr. Chamberlain, irritated at Mr. Balfour's attitude toward Lord Hugh Cecil, threatened to revolt if Lord Stanley and Mr. Fellowes were permitted to publicly support the free trade movement.

Mr. Chamberlain himself and many Chamberlainites were absent from the house without having paired off last night and the lax attendance on the first day of the session's real business has an ominous aspect for the government.

The session also was the occasion for unseemly scenes and acrimony between the front bench and the opposition leaders.

Meanwhile the cabinet vacancies still are unfilled and the belief is deepening that Ireland has proved a check to Mr. Wyndham's brilliant career.

The Ulster unionists display an undiminished determination to defeat Sir Anthony MacDonnell's policy. They have left London for Belfast to attend a big Orange demonstration in denunciation of Lord Dunraven's devolution scheme.

War Sec. Arnold-Foster, in a letter regretting his inability to attend the demonstration, says he considers the time one of great difficulty and danger.

JIMMY BURKE

WAS DEFEATED BY YOUNG DONAHUE OF ROXBURY.

LAWRENCE, March 3—Jimmy Burke of Lawrence was defeated last night by Young Donahue of Roxbury before the Unity cycle, social and athletic club by a referee's decision at the end of 12 rounds.

The bout throughout was a very tame affair. Donahue was clever, but his style of boxing did not take with the crowd because of his always going to a clinch. Burke always depended on a right or left swing for the jaw to beat his man, but Donahue evaded all his attempts. Burke showed no signs of punishment. It was a disappointing bout throughout. Patsey Haley of Dover was the referee.

Young Raymond of Nashua won over Young Sullivan of Lawrence at the end of five rounds. Patsey McKenna of Boston lost to Young Chisholm in eight rounds.

The best bout of the evening was between Billy Keefe of Lawrence and John A. Sullivan of Magnolia, the former winning in eight rounds. There were 400 spectators present.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Court Wamesit, F. of A. was held last night in Foresters hall. There were two propositions brought in while three new members were initiated. Chief Ranger William A. Kelley announced that at the next meeting of the court delegates to the coming convention would be elected and a smoke talk held. T. J. Garvey, John E. Maguire, T. J. McDermott and Chief Ranger Wm. A. Kelley, explained to the members about the efforts of William Stafford in the work of getting up a monthly paper for the interests of Forestry.

The hall committee will hold drawing April 28. The prizes are as follows: $15 in gold, lady's dress pattern, $12, barrel of flour, ton of coal, pair of shoes, silk umbrella.

Fraternal Order of Eagles of this city met in regular session last night. Action was taken on the death of the late Frank Carey and a committee was appointed to adopt resolutions and the charter was also ordered to be draped in mourning for one month. The aerie also arose and stood in silence for five minutes as a token of respect.

The aerie held initiation exercises and obligated 25 members into the order. Visiting brothers were present from Bangor, Seattle, Wash., and Boston. The aerie voted to hold a memorial day on the first Sunday of May, exercises to be held at the graves of departed members and also to hold exercises in the evening. Fifteen propositions for membership were received.

The regular meeting of Eirene lodge, I. O. G. T., was held last night in Pilgrim hall. After the business had been transacted the lodge was open to the public for an entertainment. Among the speakers were Mr. Markham, who gave the address of welcome, Mrs. Santeson, Mr. Trow and Mr. Zell. After the entertainment refreshments were served by the ladies of the lodge, which was largely attended, many being present from North Billerica lodge.

The prize winners in the whist contest held by Lowell council No. 8, Royal Arcanum last night were: First, C. O. S. Wheeler, serving tray, second, C. C. Durstoff, umbrella; 3d, S. J. Owens link cuff buttons.

Highland council, Royal Arcanum, had a ladies' night of whist last evening. The men's prizes were won as follows:

First, George R. Mansfield; second, J. F. Roharge; third, Charles Dodge. The prizes for the women: First, Mrs. H. Roharge; second, Mrs. M. R. Smith; third, Mrs. F. E. Adams.

Grand Regent Merritt S. Foye of Lynn made an address during the evening.

Concord lodge, No. 6, A. O. F. H., held its regular meeting in Post 157 hall last evening. After the meeting a whist party was held, in charge of Mrs. Josephine Lee. Prizes were won as follows: First lady's, J. Galley; second lady's, Miss Hollis; third lady's, Miss Myers; first gentleman's, M. L. Donnelly; second gentleman's, L. K. Leach; third gentleman's, E. Thompson.

James A. Garfield Relief corps, auxiliary to Post 120, G. A. R., met in regular session last night and went through the regular routine of business. The corps will hold a food sale at the residence of Mrs. Parker, 23 Grove street, Friday, March 10, at 4.30 o'clock.

EVERLAUGH CLUB SOCIABLE.

The Everlaugh club held a well attended sociable and dance at Prescott hall last night. There were about 150 couples in attendance and dancing was enjoyed until midnight, music being furnished by the Middlesex orchestra.

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ANTI-MOTH BILL

Commission of Three and $600,000

VETERAN'S TAX BILL DEFEATED IN SENATE

Suffolk County Bills Under Discussion

BOSTON, March 3—The legislative committee on agriculture at the state house has decided to report a bill to provide for suppressing gypsy and brown-tail moths, and the report is expected to be made today. The bill will practically follow closely the lines of the last draft submitted to the committee by Hon. George R. Jones of Melrose, head of the suppression league.

The bill will call for the appointment by the governor of a commission of three citizens to be known as the commission for suppressing gypsy and brown-tail moths, the compensation of these commissioners to be fixed by the governor and council.

The work is to be done in the first instance by the cities and towns, under the direction of the commission, and the commission is given full power to urge on any unwilling municipality.

The bill carries with it a state appropriation of $600,000, to be expended in a period of four years.

The drafters of the bill submitted to the committee asked for this amount for three years.

The understanding is that the bill will be reported without a dissenter. It will then go to the committee on ways and means.

IN THE HOUSE

DISCUSSION OF SUFFOLK COUNTY SALARY BILLS.

BOSTON, March 3—The lower branch of the state legislature, with Representative Ward of Buckland presiding in the absence of Speaker Frothingham, had another time-limit session yesterday afternoon. The greater part of the afternoon was given up to discussion of certain Suffolk county salary bills.

The committee on public service reported a bill which provides that "an age and schooling certificate shall not be approved unless satisfactory evidence is furnished by a certificate of birth or baptism of the minor that the minor is of the age stated in the certificate." The act is to take effect July 1, next.

Mr. Hickey of Boston opposed passing the bill to increase by $50 salaries of the court officers of the municipal court for criminal business in the city of Boston, on the ground that there was no good reason for the increase.

Mr. Power of Boston tok the ground that the officers were adequately paid and that the bill would be an additional burden upon the city of Boston.

The bill was passed to be engrossed by a rising vote, 137 to 6.

Mr. Brigham of Marlboro moved to substitute for the adverse report of the committee on public service, a bill to make the salary of the assistant clerk of the Suffolk superior court $900, instead of $500.

Mr. Eisner of Pittsfield admitted the value and ability of the clerk in question, but said the committee believed him to be amply paid. He alluded to the political campaign for chief clerk last fall and intimated that politics had entered into this measure.

The bill was submitted and referred to the committee on counties.

Mr. Davis of Salem moved to substitute for the adverse report of the committee on taxation his bill to provide an excise tax of 1 per cent. of the gross receipts of public service corporations, when such corporations have paid a dividend of 6 per cent. Mr. Davis said that the provisions of the bill had in one form or another been adopted by four of the states. Last year the committee on taxation reported the bill with but one dissenter, while this year the committee has reported unanimously against it. Mr. Davis argued that the public should receive some reasonable return for the use of the streets and highways by corporations.

Mr. Peabody of Cambridge in opposition said the bill was entirely at variance with the state's policy of corporation taxation and would bring injustice upon holders of stock which was already taxed. He claimed the bill would mean double taxation.

The substitute was rejected, 17 to 59, and the adverse report of the committee was accepted.

The committee on public charitable institutions reported the bill taken from the files of last year for the establishment of a Massachusetts hospital for consumptives for the treatment of patients in advanced stages. Referred to ways and means.

Once more the Greater Boston idea of Ex-Representative M. C. Cook goes to "the next general court." The metropolitan affairs committee so reported yesterday.

Leave to withdraw was reported by the committee on public charitable institutions on the petition for a state appropriation of $10,000 for Carney hospital.

THE TAX BILL

STATE SENATE DEFEATS PLAN TO EXEMPT VETERANS' PROPERTY.

BOSTON, March 3—The state senate yesterday afternoon rejected after a brief debate the house bill relative to the exemption from taxation of property to the value of $300 of veterans of the civil war.

The exemption under the present law extends to those veterans suffering physical disability through injuries sustained in the service. The bill before the senate extended that exemption to veterans physically incapacitated from any cause except "through their own vicious" habits."

The committee on taxation reported against this measure originally, but Mr. Weeks of Everett had it substituted in the lower branch.

Yesterday Senator Reed of Bristol defended the measure and contended that it was along the lines of the national policy. Senator Peters of Suffolk, chairman of taxation, strongly opposed the measure as unwarranted and unsought by the veterans themselves. No one else spoke and the bill was rejected on a voice vote.

Without division or debate the senate accepted the report of the committee on military affairs, reference to the next general court, on the bill to extend to veterans of the Spanish war the exemption applicable under civil service laws to veterans of the civil war.

INNOCENT MAN

Hanged for Crime Committed by His Brother

WASHINGTON, Penn., March 3.—"My God, that's my brother. He never killed that woman. I am the murderer. I should have been hung instead of Eugene," cried Adolph J. Bloch yesterday in a frenzy of remorse, interrupting a companion at the steel mill in Canonsburg, who was reading to him an account of the hanging of Eugene Bloch at Allentown, Tuesday.

He is now in the Washington county jail awaiting a hearing on the charge of murder to which he has confessed and for which his innocent brother has been executed.

He is a German Jew, 26 years of age, and formerly lived in Philadelphia. His brother was hanged for the alleged murder of Mrs. Kate Falsinger on Aug. 6, 1903. Adolph Bloch declared to the authorities yesterday, after the item had been read to him that he himself killed Mrs. Falsinger and that the brother who had been hanged was guiltless. Bloch is a mill worker, reads the newspapers but little and says he knew nothing of the trial, conviction and execution of his brother until yesterday.

The murder of Mrs. Falsinger was a brutal one. Her throat was cut and her dead body was found hours after the crime. Eugene Bloch was arrested. He claimed that Mrs. Falsinger had been attacked by a stranger and that he was trying to defend the woman when she was killed. Adolph Bloch says his brother knew him to be guilty and suffered death rather than betray him.

When taken to the jail here last night, Bloch was in a state of collapse. He gave out a statement in which he acknowledged his guilt and expressed the hope that no mercy would be shown him for the terrible crime he had committed. The Allentown officials, when communicated with last evening by long distance telephone, said it was impossible that an innocent man should have been hanged for the Falsinger murder.

Later last night Bloch recovered his nerve to some degree and declared to the officials that the whole story was a joke. Later, however, he repudiated this and reiterated his guilt.

HIGH STREET CHURCH

GAVE AN EXTRA ANNUAL SUPPER AT VESTRY.

The regular annual supper of the High Street church was held on a night when the tempest roared and vagrant snow flakes filled the air. Owing to the roughness of atmospherical conditions the annual supper was sparsely attended and in order to give those who had to remain at home on that night, a chance, a second supper was held last evening. The all important purpose of the meeting, however, was to raise enough money on pledges to run the church for the ensuing year.

The supper was served under the auspices of the Men's club of the church. The tables were prettily decorated and there was, beside other things, fish chowder like mother used to make. The Adams orchestra of Chelmsford furnished music and Herbert F. Whipple sang a tenor solo. The chart system of collecting money, the same as was used last year, was used last night to good advantage.

AGAINST TRUSTS

KANSAS SENATE PASSED A BILL.

TOPEKA, Kas., March 3.—The Kansas senate yesterday unanimously passed Senator Nofzinger's bill to prevent the operation of trusts within Kansas. The measure is patterned after the Kansas law. It provides a fine of $20,000 for each attempt to stifle competition in any business. Provision is made for the expulsion from Kansas of any firm that may persist in violating the law.

NORTH BILLERICA

A class initiation was held in Union hall, North Billerica, last night under the auspices of Asa Pollard lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U. The degree was conferred by the degree team of Excelsior lodge of Lowell, District Deputy George Emsley chief of staff. The affair proved to be one of the most interesting events in the history of the lodge.

In addition to a large number of the members of the local lodge there were many visiting officers and members. The rallying committee in charge of the affair consisted of chairman, Walter Radcliffe; Johnathan Williams, Oscar Spencer, John Hawkyard, William McBride and Jethro Switzer.

Cora, youngest daughter of Postmaster Charles Maxwell, is suffering from diphtheria.

Letters remain unclaimed at the North Billerica postoffice for the following:

Dennis Hayes, Mrs. Septha Burgess (2), Bernard Callahan, Mrs. Sarah H. Heywood and George Donovan.

The regular weekly whist tournament being conducted by the Father Mathew Total Abstinence society was held last evening. There was a good sized crowd present and seven tables were used during the evening.

After two hours' play it was found that two players, Martin Shalloo and George Dyson, were tied for first prize with 59 points each. On the cut off to determine a winner, Mr. Dyson won. The prizes were, first, briar wood pipe; second, pen knife.

LOLLY POPS AT CASTO.

Mr. Haynes always makes special efforts for thec hildren's amusement, and Saturday's program is brimful of acts which will please them all. Sydney Deane and company will present their scenic novelty entitled "Christmas Day on Blackwell's Island"; Rice and Elmer, the funny "rube" and the Chinaman, will offer a comedy bar act; Dudley and Cheslyn will sing popular songs; Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe will appear in their colonial musical act; West and Williams, who will have a new budget of stories for the little folks; Marlow, Plunkett and company in "A Lesson in Shapespeare;" Katherine Nugent will present her clever imitations of popular stage favorites; and the biograph will show all new moving pictures, including the latest success, "Baby's Day". To every patron Manager Haynes will present free a lolly pop. Reserved seats can be ordered by telephone, 815-3.

New Idea Patterns, all one price, 10 cents.

18 Sweet Navel Oranges for 25 Cents, in the Basement.

The Bon Marché DRY GOODS CO.

If It's in the Ad. It's True. If It's in the Store It's Right.

New Magazines on sale as soon as published.

New Books in Mrs. Dunn's Circulating Library.

A Sale of Kitchen Furnishings

OPENED YESTERDAY MORNING

As price is a capital story teller, and in this case we know a truthful one, we will let prices tell all the story.

FLOOR BROOMS, 15c—No. 6 size, sewed four times, regular price 25c.

BENCH WRINGERS, $2.98—Full size, made by American Wringer Co., regular price $3.98.

WILLOW CLOTHES BASKETS, 69c—Large size and best make, regular price 89c.

TOILET PAPER, 6 PKGS. FOR 25c Full 10c size.

BRISTLE BRUSHES, 25c—For dust pans, black bristles and solid backs, regular price 39c.

GALVANIZED IRON GARBAGE PAILS, 49c—Extra heavy, medium size, with shut-over cover (animal and weather proof), regular price 89c.

DRY MOPS, 29c—Full size, best quality, regular price 39c.

CARPET SWEEPERS, $1.39—"National" make, rubber tires and band, regular price $1.98.

HEAVY DINNER PAILS, 29c—Polished, with shut-over covers and cup, regular price 39c and 49c.

HARD WOOD TOOTH PICKS, 5 BOXES 10c—Regular price 5c box.

FLOOR BRUSHES, 49c—Large full brush with polished handles, regular price 89c.

XX BREAD RAISERS, 25c—Refinned, with ventilated covers and bolted handles, regular price 59c.

IVES FAMILY SOAP, 12 BARS 25c.

UNIVERSAL WRINGERS, $2.19—Made by American Wringer Co., full size, rubber rolls, warranted for three years, heavy frame, regular price $2.98.

WILLOW HAMPER, 98c—Heavy, with cover and braided edge, regular price $1.29.

HEAVY DISH PANS, 25c—14 quart size, deep and retinned, regular price 39c.

GALVANIZED IRON WASH TUBS, 49c—Large sizes, with wringer attachment, regular price 89c and 98c.

U. S. MAIL SOAP, 10 BARS 25c.

HEAVY STEEL FRY PANS, 19c—Polished, with cold handle, regular price 25c and 35c.

At the Same Time One Carload of

STRANSKY WEAR "The Ware That Wears"

GOES ON SALE

This is an imported ware of the very highest grade. It is made without seams from heavy steel and is quadruple coated with chemically pure enamel. The outside is a handsome mottled grey, while the inside is snowy white. We will replace free of charge any piece that does not stand five years' usage.

2 QT. TEA OR COFFEE POT, 98c—Enamel covers and handles.

1½ QT. RICE BOILERS, $1.25—Enamel covers. 2 quart size $1.49

4 QT. SAUCE PANS, 59c—Folded handles with brass eyelets.

4 QT. TEA KETTLES, $1.59—Cover to match, heavy bail, cold handle.

4 QT. SAUCE KETTLES, 59c—Heavy bail, wood handle.

4 QT. GENEVA SAUCE POTS, 83c—Cover to match, heavy bail and wood handle.

FREE! With Every Dollar Purchase In This Dept. — One Three Quart Seamless, Covered Enamel Sauce Pot

This lot is three coated and sells regularly at 50c. You wonder how we can do it and we don't blame you, but we do, as you can see by coming down to the store today.

Two Invincible Values in

HOSIERY

Infants' Ribbed Cashmere Hose, black and tan; fine rib, silk heel and toe, worth 25c pair; 2 days.....3 PAIRS FOR 50c

Women's Split Sole Hose, heavy cotton, very elastic, lngrain tops, all sizes, worth 25c; 2 days.....19c PAIR

The above are on sale at these prices Friday and Saturday only.

A Very Special

Couch Cover Offering

Tapestry, good line of colorings in broken stripes, 3 yards long, 50 inches wide, 3½ inch fringe on sides and ends, worth $1.19, now 79c.

A Bargain in Envelopes

Two Bunches for the Usual Price of One

How can we do it you ask? We'll answer you quite easy. We believe in big sales and small profits. No. 4x4 Baronial for women's use and No. 6¼ xx Fall Gov. for men's use, and the price?

2 BUNCHES FOR 5c

A Sterling Bargain in

DRESS GOODS

For Friday and Saturday Only

44-inch Brilliantines. Two shades of blue, two of brown, green, garnet and black. Regular price 50c yard—Friday and Saturday's price 37c YARD

Another New Wash Fabric

TAKU SILK

20 inches wide. All Champagne grounds. Some have broken figures, others are lace stripe effects. About one-half silk. Guaranteed washable. The price .....39c YARD

Just Think of This

16 x 45 Stamped Hemstitched Bureau Scarfs 10c each

Of course we shall have to guarantee them all cotton, but you can't shoot peas through it—it is good and firm. Then they are hemstitched and stamped and only 10c. How much is the usual price? We'll let you decide that point. On sale front of main entrance.

Tiny Things at Very Tiny Prices

Elastic Corset Laces, worth 3c.....1c EACH

Flat Corset Laces, worth 2c each.....5c DOZEN

Adamantine Pins, worth 2c.....1c PAPER

Wire Hair Pins, worth 5c paper.....3 PAPERS FOR 5c

Thistle Safety Pins, worth 3c dozen.....1c DOZEN

Hand Sewing Thread, worth 2c.....1c SPOOL

A Special Leader in

HOSE SUPPORTERS

Worth 10c pair. Plain and fancy frill elastic. For 2 days....7c PAIR

Very Desirable Silk Belts

One-Half the Usual Price

In this assortment are three styles (but we have twenty-five styles at same price in a regular way). They are made of Peau de Soie Silk, shirred, tucked and plain, two styles have button trimmings. They usually sell for 50c each. This lot .....25c EACH

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW "BUSTER BROWN" BELTS for young people? Very chic. They are made in patent leather, in black, brown and white. The price.....25c EACH

25c Tapestry Pillow Slips at 19 Cents Each

Here's a saving of over 20 per cent. The material is good. The colors, those handsome reds and greens so much in demand. The designs very pretty. The size is 20x20, with a tassle at each corner.

Nearly 500 Boxes of Ruching

On exhibition. Dainty, charming, irresistible. The most bewitching display imaginable. These enchanting conceits are used for finishing neck and sleeves of feminine apparel. This line is the most extensive we have ever shown. They come in all the most wantable colors such as blue, pink, violet, red, brown, cream, white, black and navy and combinations of black and white. Also a full line of ruchings for "nurses'" wear. The prices range from.....19c to 89c YARD

A Splendid Value in

WANTABLE RIBBONS

Chiffon-Taffeta

Five and one-half inches wide, beautiful lustre and very heavy weight, in all the desirable shades such as pink, blue, reseda, champagne, golden, cinnamon and seal brown, navy, black and white.

WORTH 35c YARD. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 25c YARD.

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The Arrow Library, published by Street & Smith, over 1000 books, over 200 titles, usually 10c volume, choose now for.....5c VOLUME

Queen Quality

THE FAMOUS SHOE FOR WOMEN

—AND—

The Boston Favorite

Are recognized all over the country as shoes of the highest order of workmanship. We are now showing full spring lines both in Button and Oxfords.

	Boots.	Oxfords.
The Queen sells for	$3.00 and $3.50	$2.50 and $3.00
The Favorite sells for	$2.00	$2.00

A SPECIAL FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY—Choice of our $1.49 line of Women's Boots at .....$1.29 PAIR

A Few Sharp Items You'll Find in the

Toilet Section

FLORENCE HAIR BRUSHES—Worth 25c, nine rows bristles, white and black .....17c EACH

ATLAS SHEARS—6, 7, 8, 9 inch, straight trimmed, Japanned handles, worth 25c 17c

MUNYON'S SOAP..... 9c

MENNEN'S TALCUM POWDER..14c

TAR SOAP.....3 CAKES FOR 5c

FLORENCE HAIR BRUSHES—Worth 50c, 15 rows bristles, white and black .....35c EACH

The above goods for Friday and Saturday only at prices quoted in this advertisement.

A VERY SPECIAL OFFER IN PETROLATUM—Fancy Jar, which contains 2 ounces of Petrolatum, has a gilt screw top, jar stands 2½ inches high and 2½ inches in diameter, jar alone should sell anywhere from 15c to 20c. Jar and contents now only..... 10c

A 30c Value for 19c in the Basement

This is the Value You Can Get at 19c for Two Days.

A FULL SIZE SASH CURTAIN—36 inches long, 36 inches wide, which usually sells for 25c, and Brass Curtain Rod which usually sells for 5c, Friday and Saturday 19c COMPLETE

ALSO 18 INCH LINEN CRASH—Worth 8c yard..... 5½c YARD

36 INCH FRUIT OF THE LOOM COTTON—Worth 10c Yard..... 7c YARD

A Regular 50c Heavy Fleeced Vest for 25c

All sizes, Viola, B. E. J. and Essex Brands, slightly soiled, short sleeves.

A $1.00 FOUNTAIN PEN, Like Cut SIXTY-THREE CENTS

Every One Guaranteed. 14 Karat Pen Point. Stubb—Fine—Coarse

This Offer Only Holds Good for Two Days.

STUDENTS' BATTLE

Serious Clash Between Boston University Men

BOSTON, March 3.—No company of "barnstormers" were ever harassed with more difficulties than have been the members of the freshmen class at Boston university, who are scheduled to present a play at Sleeper hall this afternoon.

The sophomore class of the same university has kept the freshmen on the jump to protect the embryonic actors from being kidnapped, and now the show will have to be put on minus some of the scenery, because last evening, after a hot fight in the university building, the sophomores carried away a part of it.

The sophomores had more to do last evening than simply to walk into the building, pick up the scenery and walk out again, for when they got in they found a brawny bunch of sweater-clad "freshies" waiting for them. When they went out they carried some black eyes and bruises along with the scenery and they left behind one student with a sprained ankle and another stretched out unconscious. It required the services of a physician to bring the latter to himself, and this was not accomplished for about 15 minutes, until the students were thoroughly frightened lest his injuries might result seriously.

The trouble is the outcome of the usual class feeling between the freshmen and sophs of the liberal arts department of the university. It has become customary for the sophs to try to prevent the freshmen from presenting their annual play, and this year they undertook to kidnap those playing the leading roles.

Yesterday afternoon the sophs succeeded in capturing James L. Greenan, one of the most prominent of the freshman class, but interference on the part of Dean Warren caused his subsequent release.

After his release the sophs threatened to capture the whole cast and about 19 o'clock last night they started operations.

The sophs gathered under the state house about 9.45 and then started for Jacob Sleeper hall, where it was known a number of the cast were acting as guards to the scenery to be used in their play.

The building was securely locked at the time, but someone with an iron bar pried open a window in Dean Warren's private room and succeeded in opening the window for enough to get in.

When one of the sophs started to climb in a rope was thrown about his head. Some of his companions rushed up and secured the rope and tried to pull the freshman out of the window.

Meanwhile other sophs climbed in and began a desperate fight for the mastery of the room.

Most of the freshmen were up stairs at the time, and the sophs gained the floor.

For half an hour the classes fought back and forth over the floors of the lower halls.

The floors were spattered with blood from bloody noses; black eyes were passed round right and left.

F. McRea, a freshman, was knocked into a corner, and later was found to have a sprained ankle. James Briar was knocked completely out and was trampled upon by the fighting mob.

POLICE AND DOCTORS CALLED.

Someone slipped away from the fight and telephoned for the police and for ambulances. Sergeant Dobbyns and Patrolman Minot of division 2, and Sergeant Goodwin and Patrolman Fay of division 3 were despatched, and they took charge of the building.

Drs. Cilley and H. E. Mace of Beacon street were called in to attend the injured.

When the police and doctors entered three of the men were laid out on the floor. One was not revived for 15 minutes, and the police were informed that an attempt had been made to drug him.

The greater number of the sophs were outside the building.

The man with the sprained ankle was hustled home in a hack.

At the direction of the freshman guards, an attempt was made to clean the marble floors of the blood stains.

Chesley Toy, whom the sophs had succeeded in capturing, was found in the cellar gagged, but before the police could get hold of him he was released.

Frank Volpe was badly trampled upon.

Until midnight the place was under police guard, the sophs still lingering in the street and the freshmen still remaining to guard their property.

POST OFFICE BILL

CONFEREES HAVE REACHED AN AGREEMENT.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—A complete agreement was reached in conference yesterday on the post office appropriation bill. The principal amendment was an addition of $300,000 by the senate to the $500,000 to the appropriation of the house for pneumatic tube service and a provision for the extension of the service.

LAMP OVERTURNED

WOMAN WAS BADLY BURNED IN CLUB HOUSE.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—In a fire which destroyed one of the Squantum club's outbuildings last evening, Miss Katherine Riley, aged 20 years, who was employed as a cook by the club, received terrible burns about the face, hands and feet. The fire was caused by the overturning of a lamp. The loss will amount to about $1500, covered by insurance.

REV. MR. MATTHEWS

RE-ELECTED PASTOR OF HIS CHURCH.

At the annual meeting for the choice of a pastor, held at the Gorham Street Methodist church last night, the present pastor, Rev. N. W. Matthews, received a unanimous call for first choice. Rev. S. T. Nichols of Philadelphia was second choice and the third was Rev. J. T. Barlow of Mount Carmel, Pa. It is hoped and believed that Mr. Matthews will accept the call to remain. The church has prospered under his administration and the last year has been the most successful in its history. The monthly income has been beyond that of any other year and the building fund has received generous attention.

CHELMSFORD

Harry Harmon, clerk at the Chelmsford post office will attend the inauguration exercises at Washington as the guest of his brother, Dr. Arthur A. Harmon of that city.

This is visiting day for the teachers of the Centre school and hence a holiday for the children.

The members of the choir at the Central Congregational church with friends, making a party of 25 were pleasantly entertained on Wednesday evening by their leader, Mrs. Arthur A. Stewart, at her home in Lowell. Mrs. A. B. Woodworth and Mrs. Henry P. Woodworth assisted Mrs. Stewart in entertaining.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Prof. Henry C. Newell of the Ferdinand college in Demorest, Ga., will speak at the morning service in the Second Congregational church, Sunday morning, March 5.

Mr. William Picken has recently been visiting his friends in Fitchburg.

Thursday evening in the town hall, the board of registrars held a meeting and new names were added to the voting list.

The Moore Spinning Co., is having a new dye house built, close by their large storehouse.

Next week the Chelmsford Foundry Co., will begin on their new working schedule, whereby the help will have Saturday afternoons off. Business is good at the present time in the foundry, and the prospects for a busy summer are good.

REID NOT MARRIED.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The published statement that Daniel G. Reid of New York, chairman of the board of directors of the Rock Island railroad, had recently been married in London, is authoritatively denied by his business associates in this city. Mr. Reid is not in London, but is now on his way to Palm Beach to join his daughter.

RAISED DEBT

Worthen Street Church Produces the Cash

A little while ago the Worthen Street M. E. church had an outstanding indebtedness of $1200 and it has been wiped away. The church members banded together a few weeks ago and decided that the debt should be wiped out. They organized and laid their plans. The result was all that could be desired and last night the freedom of the church from debt was celebrated by a grand jubilee meeting. There was a church supper and a reception. Supper was served by the ladies of the church and former pastor, the presiding elder of the district and the pastor of the Central church were guests.

The church's speedy relief from debt is due in a great measure to the able efforts of the soliciting committee composed of Messrs. Hoyt, Johnson and Stetson. The committee collected over $1300. The announcement of the committee's very successful work was greeted with applause, hearty and sincere.

After supper Dr. C. H. Leland called to order and the pastor, Rev. E. P. Herrick, read the report of the committee. The other speakers were Rev. J. H. Mansfield, D. D., the presiding elder of the district; Rev. E. R. Thorndike, D. D., a former pastor and now of Saratoga Street church in East Boston; Rev. E. T. Curnick, D. D., Rev. J. F. Allen, Rev. W. W. Shenk and Rev. Edmond Lupien, who has charge of the French work for the Methodist denomination in this city. Letters of congratulation were received from ministers who were unable to be present.

INDIAN BILL

AGREEMENT REACHED IN ALL BUT THREE AMENDMENTS.

WASHINGTON, March 3—Conferees on the Indian appropriation bill reached an agreement last night on all but three amendments. The first strikes out the house provision removing the restrictions upon the alienation of lands of all allottees of either of the five civilized tribes of Indians who do not appear upon the rolls as full blood Indians, except minors and except as of homesteads. The second is the senate appropriation of $1,500,000 to carry into effect the treaty with the Indians residing on the Colville reservation in the state of Washington. The other disagreement is the amendment appropriation $150,000 for the irrigation of the lands of the Indians in Arizona. The senate provision was accepted providing for the investigation of leases of allotted lands in Indian Territory which the secretary of the interior has reason to believe were obtained in violation of the terms of the agreement with the five civilized tribes.

The provision for the extension of the leases of oil lands in Oklahoma held by the Indian Territory Illuminating Oil Company is accepted by the house conferees, with an amendment to the provision increasing the royalty to be paid on each gas well from $50 to $100.

LAWYER WANTS $50,000.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., March 3.—John Delahunty, the New York attorney, who was counsel for Richard A. Canfield for several years, has brought two actions against Canfield to recover $50,000 for legal services.

Mr. Canfield had refused to pay, claiming that the bill was excessive and the result was that Mr. Delahunty began proceedings.

ANTI-TRUST BILL PASSED.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 3—The house of representatives of Nebraska, yesterday afternoon, passed an anti-trust bill by a vote of 72 to 10. The bill is aimed specifically at the so-called beef trust and the Standard Oil company.

RED ROVER CLUB

HELD ENJOYABLE SOCIABLE IN ASSOCIATE HALL.

The Red Rover club held a social and dance in Associate hall last night and the affair was very largely attended and also proved to be a grand success. During the early part of the evening a concert program was carried out, after which dancing was enjoyed. Selection, Miss Mary Ort; song, "Ev'rywhere," Red Rover quartet, Messrs. Hosmer, Gordon, Bowden, Ort; banjo-mandolin, "Red Rover March," Red Rover quartet, Messrs. Gordon, Hosmer, Rokes, Swann; song, "I'm Longing for You Sweetheart, Day by Day," James F. Hennessey; banjo solo, "American Rondo," Ray B. Gordon; song, "Just for Tonight," Miss Alice Donnelly; selection, "Pretty Mamie Clancy Waltz," Nerpa club; song, "Shine On, O Stars," Martin Maguire; selection, "Zenobie," Nerpa club.

Those who officeird the affair were: General manager, Cecil N. Hosmer; assistant manager, Robert J. Bowden; floor director, Martin Maguire; assistant floor director, Walter Rokes; secretary, Ray B. Gordon; aids, Harry Swann, James Hennessey, Arthur Halpin, Charles Ort, A. Gale Lees.

KOREAN MINISTER

BECOMES A MEMBER OF CATHOLIC CHURCH.

CHICAGO, March 3.—A special from Kobe says:

"According to the Osaka Mainchi's Seoul correspondent, the Korean minister has become a convert to Roman Catholicism and has requested the Seoul Catholic mission to receive him formally into the church."

The MERRIMACK
WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

MOHAIR
Shirt Waist Suits

Special for Saturday $3.95

LADIES:—Here's a Bargain!

We have secured, at a price concession, a quantity of Tailor Made Mohair Shirt Waist Suits, that we will offer you for Saturday only at **$3.95** each.

They are choice Suits, this Spring's Models, fresh from the makers, and a fine quality mohair. Colors, black, blue, brown and champagne.

The waist is very full, tucked front with the new sleeve. The skirt is very full, with panel front and pleats.

You'll find them shown around town at $5.98 and $7.50. Here Saturday only at **$3.95.**

The MERRIMACK
CLOTHING COMPANY

CLEAN-UP SALE OF
Boys' Suits
at $1.95

Value $3, $4, $5, up to $10

They're spring weights, mostly one, two, three of a kind—discontinued lines, and odds and ends.

There are Three-Piece Suits in sizes 11 to 17 years, light colors mostly, that were $5 to $10 each.

Two-Piece Suits in light mixtures, ages 8 to 16, that were $3.00 and $4.00.

Norfolk Suits in Mixtures, sizes 4 to 14 years, that were $3.00, $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00.

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Choose now at $1.95 each.

Also a lot of Covert Coats, sizes 10 to 15 years, that were $3.00.

See them in Worthen Street window.

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Saturday Mar. 4th
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14KT GOLD FILLED GLASSES
That other dealers are charging you from $4.00 to $7.00 for, we shall sell for..... $1.00
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Spring 1905 --- Early Showing of
MEN'S TOP COATS
SPRING OVERCOATS
AND RAIN COATS

The new spring overcoats, top coats and rain coats are ready at the Merrimack.

You'll see here an almost entire new stock. We never entered a season with so few carried-overs—a mere handful.

Let us show you the new garments — try them on and see the improvements since last season in the fitting — see the richness of the new fabrics, etc.—nothing more refreshing than the change from a winter overcoat to these spring garments.

The top coats are 32 and 34 inches long—are in shades of tan, olive, oxford and brownish coverts—also black thibet.

The overcoats are 40 and 42 inches long—in black undressed worsteds and oxford gray vicunas.

Rain coats are 52 to 54 inches long — in full box back or Paddock styles — and are shown in gray worsteds, venetians and fancy mixtures.

Each style begins at $10 and goes to $25.

The Merrimack
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Knapp-Felt Hats
For Particular Men

For men who want the best hat quality and hat making — with a touch of style — we recommend the "Knapp-Felt," in the shape illustrated.

"Knapp-Felt" stands for the finest stiff hats in the world—made by the best hat makers in the world—at So. Norwalk Conn.

The design is for Young men — built on new lines, and is shown by no other house in Lowell. Price *$4.00.*

The Yorick, Merrimack Special, L. & H. derbies are here in the new spring blocks — at *$3.00.*

The Merrimack Derby and eight other shapes of new spring derbies—at *$2.00.*

Fifteen styles of soft hats—in the new spring shapes and shades—at *$2.00 and $3.00.*

The Merrimack
Clothing Company
ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

DID NOT INSPECT

City Treasurers Books Not Looked Into

Alderman Braden and Councilmen Morse and Dodge of the appropriations committee were at City hall this morning but up to noon none of them had gone to the city treasurer's office to look over the books.

No time was set for the inspection and in response to the query of a reporter of The Sun, Chairman Braden said: "We have fixed no special time to examine the books in the treasurer's office and it is not likely that the committee as a whole will inspect them. Some of the members were sick last night, especially Alderman Cosgrove, and it is not likely that they will all get together before next Monday."

Messrs.
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FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
Cures Colds; Prevents Pneumonia

BOARD OF HEALTH

MET AT HOME OF DR. HUNTRESS YESTERDAY.

The board of health met with Dr. Leonard Huntress at his home, 46 Fort Hill avenue, yesterday afternoon, Dr. Huntress being confined to his home with a severe cold. The board discussed department matters generally, but transacted no business.

UBERO CLUB

HELD CONCERT AND DANCE LAST EVENING.

The Ubero club gave a delightful concert and dance in American Mechanics' hall in Middle street, last evening with a large attendance.

The concert consisted of numbers by the orchestra and songs and violin selections by Louis Christiani. The program was as follows: March, Ubero club; overture, "Lore and Song;" piano solo, selected, Louis Christiani; galop, "Red Devil," Louis Christiani.

The officers of the evening were: General manager, Maurice Lambert; assistant general manager, George J. L'Heureux; floor director, George E. Mongeau; assistant floor director, J. Z. B. Lebrun; chairman of reception committee, J. Perigny; assistants, C. E. L'Heureux, Luke Dion, L. T. L'Heureux, Wilfred Gendreau, Fidele Daigle. The chief aids were: A. J. Lambert, Charles A. Gendreau, L. Desrosier, Wilfrid Beauregard, Peter Perreault, L. Turcotte, S. Ouellette, J. Connors.

COMMITTEE NAMED

Y. M. C. I. TO ASSIST IN THE BAZAAR.

At the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. I. last night five propositions for membership were received and four applicants were admitted. Reports of progress were read from the officers and standing committees. The following committee was appointed to assist Rev. Fr. Dorgan, O. M. I., in the coming bazaar: Patrick Mooney, Thomas O'Hare, P. J. Cox, James E. Burns, John T. Buckley, Alfred Cooney, Thos. Finnerty, John T. Carroll, Daniel E. Hogan, Bryant Coleman, William Flanagan, Martin Cahan, Walter F. King, Edward Quinlan, Michael O'Keefe, Frank P. McCartin, James McLaughlin, Frank McGilley, Andrew T. Doyle, John Green, James H. Flood, Thos. O'Hearn, William Carey, Henry Smith, John McCaffrey, Dr. William M. Collins.

President Hogan was authorized to appoint a delegate to attend the convention of Middlesex county, Federation of Catholic societies to be held in A. O. H. hall this city one week from Sunday. Under good of the order Hubert McQuade delivered lengthy remarks urging the members to put forth their best efforts for the benefit of the society.

WHIST TOURNAMENT

AT THE HALL OF THE C. M. A. C. LAST EVENING.

A whist party was held at the rooms of the C. M. A. C. last evening with 250 present. An introductory concert was given in which appeared Miss Emmons, Mr. E. Larochelle, A. Patenaude, Fred Emmons, L. Paradis, A. Desmarais and Messrs. Viette and Morin, acrobats.

Prizes were offered for the whist tournament, as follows: Lamp, Daigle Bros.; silk umbrella, Grace E. Manseau; necktie, V. Nomandin; statue, A. Lussier; bag flour, A. Demers; bag flour, E. Laplante; basket of groceries, Victor Achin; basket of groceries, H. Achin; silver tea kettle, J. Marin; nut set, J. Provost; perfumery sprinkler, Dr. Payette; box soap, E. Roussin; box cigars, E. Blais; thermometer, F. Ricard; bottle syrup, Blouin and Desrosiers; bottle cognac, L. P. Turcotte. E. H. Choquette was master of ceremonies and the committee in charge consisted of A. Lussier, E. Blais, Emil Fontaine and Victor Achin.

MISS CALNIN ENTERTAINS.

Assisted by her mother, Mrs. James Calnin, and her aunt, Miss Carney, Miss Helena R. Calnin of Durant street entertained last evening the 18 young ladies who helped to make the candy table at the calendar party on Tuesday evening a decided success.

The affair was delightfully informal, the young ladies enjoying music and games until 10 o'clock, when a dainty luncheon was served in the prettily decorated dining room. Here Mrs. Calnin was assisted by Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Grennan, both chaperones of the candy table on Tuesday evening. This is the last pleasant evenings which for some time the young ladies have enjoyed at their president's home.

AT HILLSIDE CHURCH.

Mrs. Ella M. Keith of Worcester will give an instructive lecture on "Domestic Science" in the vestry of the Hillside church this evening, beginning at 7.30. She, with her assistant, will cook and serve food to the audience. The rest of the collation will be provided by those in charge. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all. No admission. Mrs. Keith will also lecture in the auditorium of the church next Monday evening on European travel. A stereopticon will be used.

PUPILS STRIKE

SESSION OF THE EVENING SCHOOL BROKEN UP.

FALL RIVER, March 3.—The strike has been so fostered in this city that it has broken out among the youngsters. It disrupted a session of the Pleasant street evening school last night and resulted today in the fining of the two leading mutineers in the district court. While Margaret E. Taylor, a teacher, was instructing Manuel Moniz and Joseph Martin they replied with a string of profane words which shocked her. The boys shouted "Strike!" and instantly the room was in an uproar. Officers Foley and Bogan had to quell the disturbance. Judge McDonough, as a warning, imposed fines of $5 each.

BUTTER AND EGGS.

Best Vermont tub butter, 32c lb., 5 lb. box $1.65. Guaranteed strictly fresh eggs, 33c doz. Clapp & Co., Merrimack square.

CRIES OF LYNCHING

GREETED CÓRDOVA, THE ELOPING MINISTER.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Spat upon and reviled, amid shouts of "Lynch him!" the Rev. J. F. Cordova, former pastor of the Methodist church at South River, N. J., was taken last night at New Brunswick from the train which brought him from Washington with Julia Bowne, with whom he had for the third time eloped, leaving behind a wife and children.

As he was led out alone by a detective, the mob's cries were drowned in the general question, "Where is the woman?" Nowhere could she be found, though her custodian from Washington said she had not left the train. Finally, after the train had been held up for 10 minutes, a woman in one car pointed to a closet at the end and said she had seen a woman enter it. The door was locked, and the conductor forced it. There Julia Bowne was found.

As she descended from the train she became the centre of the mob, but she did not flinch. Women spat in her face, mocked her and seemed as if they would like to do her injury, but she moved on, looking neither to one side nor the other.

Bail in Cordova's case was set at $1000, in default of which he was taken to jail. For the girl $500 bail was offered by her father, and it was acceptable to the authorities, but she would not go with him, and consequently remained in jail, but in a separate cell.

"It was Mrs. Cordova's fault," Cordova said to the detectives. "She drove me to this after I tried for years to prevent it. From the first week after our wedding I have been unhappy."

Prosecutor Berdine will bring up the case before the grand jury on Tuesday, at which time Cordova will probably be indicted. Meanwhile Mrs. Cordova is preparing to go before that body to testify to assault.

Extra guards were about the little frame jail last night.

LOWELL PEOPLE

ATTENDED CONCERT AND BALL AT SOMERVILLE LAST NIGHT.

Mayor Casey, James E. Donnelly, John Adams of the Academy of Music, Mr. Trull of Chelmsford, Misses Minnie and Lulu Saunders, Miss Alice Murphy, Miss Nano Gallagher and Miss Alice O'Donnell were among the Lowell people present at the concert and ball of the Young Men's Catholic club of St. Anne's church, Somerville, last evening, and Misses Murphy and Gallagher and Mr. Donnelly contributed to the concert program. Rev. Edward F. Saunders of this city is a curate at St. Anne's.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

By Cotton Weavers' Protective Union on the death of a member.

Resolutions on the death of Sister Mary E. Hanley:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to summon before His heavenly throne our esteemed friend and worthy member, Mary E. Hanley, thus severing the many pleasant ties that bound us from our earliest acquaintance, be it therefore

Resolved, that while we bow in submission to an all wise providence in removing from our midst a member who by her staunch and enthusiastic faith in the ability of a conservative trade union to accomplish the amelioration of its members succeeded in bringing to our union many of our fellow workers who have since become permeated with the fundamental principles of our cause and are now the stoutest pillars of the Cotton Weavers Union.

Resolved, that we tender our heartfelt sympathy to her sisters in this their hour of affliction, and we trust that God in His goodness will give to them strength and fortitude to enable them to sustain their loss and to look with hope to that future when those who were ever dear to each other in this transitory life will again meet and be forever united.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be published in the local papers and placed upon our records as a token of the esteem in which our late Sister Mary E. Hanley was held by the members of the Cotton Weavers' Protective Union.

THOMAS J. REAGAN,
ANNIE O. ODEL,
ANNIE McMULLEN,
Committee on Resolutions.

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To buy the best restaurant,
To buy the best boardinghouse,
To buy a beautiful home,
To buy a good farm,
To have your estate properly cared for,
To rent a nice home,
To sell your house, store, or farm,
To buy the best Life Insurance,
To buy the best Fire Insurance,
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63 Market Street

MAY ABOLISH IT

NO POSTMASTER FOR MILBROOK POSTOFFICE.

DUXBURY, March 3.—The Milbrook postoffice in this town may be abandoned, because of the inability of Uncle Sam to secure a successor to Postmaster W. P. Johnson, who has resigned. The department wanted to increase Postmaster Johnson's bond some time ago, so that the office might do a money order business. Postmaster Johnson didn't care for the office under an increased bond, and resigned six months ago. Now the department has been obliged to post a notice calling attention to the fact that if a successor isn't secured within 15 days the office will be abandoned. In that case the business formerly conducted at Milbrook would go to the office at Duxbury village.

MATRIMONIAL

Miss Sylvia M. Symond, daughter of Ephraim B. Symond, of Tyngsboro, formerly of Lowell, was united in marriage to Mr. Robert Holland of Lowell on Wednesday evening, by the Rev. Arthur P. Wedge of Worthen Street Baptist church.

The ceremony was followed by a bountiful repast at the future home of the newly wedded couple, 181 Howard street, only immediate relatives being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Holland were generously remembered by their friends with many costly and beautiful gifts. No cards.

BARTLETT—HONAN.

The marriage of Mr. Frank J. Bartlett of Charlestown and Sara J. Honan of Everett, formerly of this city was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at St. Peter's parochial residence in this city, by Rev. Fr. Burns. Mr. Chas. Dilworth of Charlestown was best man and Miss Frances Taft of Everett was bridesmaid. The bride was very becomingly attired in white crepe de chine over taffeta with trimmings of chiffon and Irish crochet lace. She wore a white chiffon hat with ostrich plume and carried a shower bouquet of Mermet roses and pinks. The bridesmaid wore white muslin, velvet hat and carried violets. An informal reception was held at the home of her sister Mrs. John Markham on Cedar street. Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett departed on the 9.35 train for Boston en route for New York. They carry with them the good wishes of a host of friends. They were made the recipients of many beautiful gifts. They will reside at 38 Grant street, Somerville where they will be at home to their friends after May 1st.

PERSONALS

Miss May Carney, formerly teacher in the Green school, who has been confined to her home for more than a year as the result of injuries sustained from a snowslide in Central street, is now able to be out but she has not yet recovered full power of her arms while her head and her sight are still seriously affected. Her friends hope, however, that she may eventually recover entirely from the effects of the severe blow received from a lump of ice falling on her head.

No Gloss Carriage Paint Made will wear as long as Devoe's. No others are as heavy bodied, because Devoe's weigh 3 to 8 ounces more to the pint. Sold by The Adams Hardware and Paint Co.

BURNED TO DEATH

WOMAN'S CLOTHING CAUGHT FIRE FROM STOVE.

NEWPORT, R. I., March 3.—Mrs. Albert Sherman was burned to death today in her tenement here. The woman's skirt became ignited from a small stove in her bedroom and before assistance could reach her, her clothing was burned off. Death occurred within a few minutes. Mrs. Sherman was 77 years of age and leaves a husband and three sons.

MINOR INJURIES

SIMON HARRIS FELL DOWN A FLIGHT OF STAIRS.

Simon Harris, residing at 285 Central street, fell down a flight of stairs, this morning, and received injuries which necessitated the summoning of the ambulance which removed him to St. John's hospital.

At the hospital it was found that he was suffering from minor bruises and he was released from the hospital shortly before noon today.

DID YOU KNOW
That Howard, the Druggist, 197 Central street, perfumes your handkerchief or clothing free? Nine true and lasting odors to choose from at 25c an ounce, quality equalling 50c goods elsewhere.

Guaranteed Results
Did you ever stop to think what it means to GUARANTEE absolute satisfaction on all dental work?
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Our Artificial Teeth to be of the best material and perfect fit.
Gold Crowns and Bridge Work, 22k. Our price $3.00 to $5.00. Just one-half what you pay elsewhere for first-class work.
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of teeth to be absolutely PAINLESS. We make teeth as low as $5.00. Fillings, 50c up.
No work ever leaves our office unless patient is perfectly satisfied as to fit and finish.
Lady in Attendance.
BOSTON PAINLESS DENTAL ROOMS
16, 17, 18, 19 Runels Bldg.

We have made up a few Ladies' Coats and Suits as samples of what we do and have them displayed in our window.
There is really nothing in the line of ladies' tailoring that is too difficult for us.
We would just as soon talk over a complicated style with you as a simple one and this applies equally to skirts as to coats.
Any and every style is the kind of ladies' tailoring we go in for and have that kind of staff accordingly.
Ladies contemplating made-to-order garments for the spring are invited to call and inspect fashions and fabrics.
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You will also find good bargains on Men's Pants and Boys' rightly made Clothing.
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For $10 we will deliver and connect ready for use a high grade, full size Gas Range, complete in every detail of construction. We will sell this range on our usual easy payment plan, and would suggest to those wishing to take advantage of our offer, that orders be left at once, as the limited supply of ranges will last but a short time.
Perhaps you intend buying a Gas Range as soon as hot weather comes. Don't wait, get the Gas Range first and be prepared for warm days.
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THEY ARE SHOWN IN WINDOW TODAY ON SALE SATURDAY $4 Each
A few weeks since we gave you a raincoat bargain that caused everybody to wonder where we got them. Last week we sold petticoats that customers told us were the most wonderful bargain they had ever seen.
BUT THIS SHIRT WAIST SUIT SALE FOR SATURDAY will eclipse anything ever offered.
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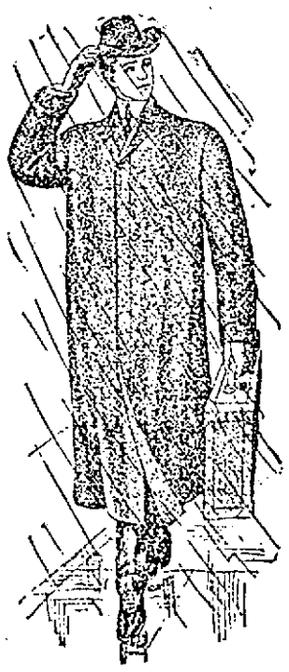
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

From Merrimack St.

5.45, 6.22, 6.45, 7.40, 8.50, 9.22, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, 5.44 p. m.

Sundays, 8.45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
5.46	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.23	7.40	6.30	7.26
6.39	7.30	7.54	8.54
6.46	7.53	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.00	9.57
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.34
7.45	8.33	11.30	12.07
7.52	10.05	12.00	12.56
8.37	9.40	1.00	1.37
9.33	10.19	2.00	3.01
11.05	12.00	3.00	3.37
11.43	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.30
1.14	2.50	5.00	5.37
1.16	2.39	5.33	6.25
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.28	5.30	6.14	7.30
5.22	6.15	7.30	8.08
5.49	7.00	8.30	9.08
6.12	6.55	10.30	11.34
7.29	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.30	8.31
8.00	8.54	8.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.46	11.40
10.50	12.06	1.50	2.03
12.05	1.26	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.35	4.50
2.30	3.33	4.59	5.49
3.10	4.05	6.02	7.02
3.55	5.00	6.35	7.45
5.03	6.40	8.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	†11.15	12.13
7.00	8.00		
9.30	10.28		

† runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9.13
12.10	1.00	12.00	1.00
3.55	4.50	5.05	6.25
5.32	6.53		
8.05	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.39	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10	11.30	12.07
8.48	9.49	1.00	1.57
9.20	10.15	5.00	6.05
2.25	3.27	7.30	8.08
5.29	6.39	8.30	9.08
6.22	7.05	9.00	10.02

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SUNSHINE WHIST CLUB.

The Sunshine Whist club met at the home of Mrs. G. E. Walsh, 26 A street, yesterday afternoon and a very enjoyable time was spent. The winners were Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Pinaud, who won the first, second and consolation prizes, respectively.

KILLED BY ELECTRIC CAR.

BOSTON, March 3.—In attempting to avoid being struck by a heavy wagon, Mrs. Annie McGafligan, a widow, 69 year old, jumped in front of an electric car on Cambridge street near her home, yesterday afternoon and was crushed so badly that she died before she reached the hospital.

CLEAR WEATHER PREDICTED.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The United States weather bureau last night gave out the following special forecast as to the inauguration day weather:

"The weather in the district of Columbia on Saturday is almost dependent upon the movement of the low area now over the Saskatchewan valleys. Should it move eastward as now appears probable, the weather will be clear to partly cloudy with pleasant, comfortable temperature."

COMPANY M

INSPECTED AT THE ARMORY BY MAJOR SULLIVAN.

A regimental inspection of Company M, Ninth regiment, M. V. M., was held at the state armory in Westford street last night. Major Sullivan of Boston was the inspecting officer and he was favorably impressed with the work of the men and also their appearance.

Major Sweetsir of the Sixth regiment gave instructions to the commissioned men of Company G regiment, last night at the armory.

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POISON IN TEA

Attempt to Kill Two Women

ORLEANS, March 3.—An attempt to take the lives by poisoning of Mrs. Etta Lewis and her daughter, Miss May Lewis, who have always resided here was made on Feb. 22 and has just been made public. That both are alive is the result of their not having followed their usual custom on that night.

Both the mother and her handsome daughter are well known here and usually take a prominent part in the town's social functions, being among the leaders in church and charitable work. They were particularly happy on the occasion of the Washington's birthday party a week ago.

As Mrs. Lewis almost invariably accompanied her daughter to the parties it was her practice to have a hot drink before retiring, and as usual on the night of Feb. 22 a pot of tea was left on the range.

Returning home after midnight, they sat for a while by the parlor stove, and becoming somewhat drowsy the mother said: "I am too tired to bother to go into the kitchen for tea, let's go right up to bed."

Her suggestion was followed, and to this they owe the fact that they are alive today. The following morning they were astonished to find a trace of green powder on the floor leading from the outer doorstep to the stove and even to the teapot and teakettle on the stove.

Inside of the vessels also it was noticed that the water and tea were colored somewhat green, and then, for the first time realizing that it was poison, and that they had evidently narrowly escaped death, the two women flew from the house to the home of Walter Nickerson, a brother of Mrs. Lewis, with whom they still remain, and so thoroughly frightened that Mrs. Lewis is in a state of nervous collapse.

State Detective Bradford was quietly notified, and has been working on the case. It has now become a matter of publicity, and it is believed an arrest will be made within a short time.

The amount of poison found in the kettle was sufficient to have caused the death of many persons, and it is evident to those who have worked on the case that it was fully intended to cause the death of Mrs. Lewis and her daughter.

Mrs. Lewis is about 45 years of age, and her daughter nearly 19. The teapot and kettle are in possession of Medical Examiner Davis of this village.

BRUTAL ASSAULT

WOMAN WAS ATTACKED BY TWO BURGLARS.

NORTH SMITHFIELD, R. I., March 3—Two men, roughly attired, broke into a cottage occupied by Miss Mary E. Inman, on the outskirts of this town early today and after brutally assaulting Miss Inman who is about fifty years old, then made their escape having obtained but $7 in a pocket book as the result of their burglary. When they left the house it was surrounded by the neighbors armed with shotguns but the robbers nevertheless were able to escape uninjured.

The men entered shortly after midnight and frightened Miss Inman into handing over to them the $7 by choking her. They then produced a revolver with which they attempted to make her divulge the whereabouts of other money which they said she must have about the place. She denied possession of more. One burglar then mounted guard while the other searched the house. Finally Miss Inman succeeded in breaking away and ran for help to her neighbors. The men however got away. There is no clue to their identity though Miss Inman gave a good description of each. According to Miss Inman, they were not professionals, and appeared to be of foreign birth.

Miss Inman was much bruised by the severe handling she received.

OFFICERS ELECTED

BY GRAND LODGE DEGREE OF HONOR.

BOSTON, March 3.—The annual session of the grand lodge, Degree of Honor, the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order United Workmen, was opened here yesterday.

Grand Chief of Honor Eliza M. Chaplin presided. The proposition to incorporate the organization under the laws of Rhode Island was rejected and a committee appointed to secure incorporation in the state. The grand recorder reported two lodges instituted, and seven surrendered their charters during the year.

It was voted not to have district conventions. Officers were elected as follows:

Grand chief of honor, Lucy A. Davis of Bucksport, Me.; grand lady of honor, Margaret Cassidy of Boston; grand chief of ceremonies, Lizzie B. Wolfe of Gloucester; grand recorder, Carrie I. Mann of New Haven; grand receiver, Ida F. Whitman of Slatersville; finance committee, three years, Eva A. Hill of Haverhill; grand trustee, Marielle Burns of Dorcester; representatives to superior lodges, Eliza M. Chaplin of Pawtucket, R. I., Emma Witherill of Oakland, Me., and Beatrice L. Nichols of Hartford, Conn.

HARVARD WON

BROWN BEATEN IN THE AQUATIC MEET.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—Harvard won the aquatic meet from Brown last night by a score of five points to two. Harvard won all the special swimming events, while Brown captured the water polo game by a score of 3 to 0. The summary:

Relay race won by Harvard—Time, 3 minutes, 14 1-5 seconds; plunge for distance, won by Sherman (Harvard) 50 1-2 feet; 50 yard race, won by Noyes (Harvard), time 32 seconds; 100 yards' dash, won by Farley, 1 minute, 9 4-5 seconds. Water polo game, won by Brown, 3 goals to nothing.

HAND INJURED

THUMB NEARLY SEVERED BY A CIRCULAR SAW.

Frederick C. Fraser, aged 42 years, had the thumb of his left hand lacerated while working on a circular saw at W. H. Beane's shop in Dutton street yesterday. He was taken to the Emergency hospital where 12 stitches were taken in the wound. Fraser resides at 127 Paige street.

BANK SETTLED

With Woman Who Was Falsely Arrested

BOSTON, March 3.—The suit for $25,000 brought by Elizabeth Freeman, a pretty young demonstrator of Brooklyn, against the Natick National bank for false arrest and imprisonment was settled yesterday for a "fair amount," understood to be in the neighborhood of $1000.

On March 13, 1903, a young woman supposed to be Agnes Field, a Wellesley student, or some one impersonating a student, presented a worthless check for $200 on the bank at Natick, which was paid. Then A. L. Potter, the teller, and the cashier, named Travis, enlisted themselves as a Sherlock Homes-Dr. Watson outfit and proceeded to run the fair deceiver to earth. They handed over to Officer Dunham of the state police the following description: "Age 23, weight 110, dark hair, dressed in gray coat and hat."

The plaintiff had been working at a store in Natick as a demonstrator, and she was followed to Springfield, where she was arrested in a department store. Potter, who accompanied the officer "on a special mission" was not sure that the plaintiff was the right girl, but he declared in the police station at Springfield that Miss Freeman had been in the Natick bank previous to March 13. This she denied on the stand. She was placed under arrest and searched by the matron. The officer did not tell the girl why he had detained her, and when the matron informed her that she was "a pretty hardened thing," Miss Freeman, who is an excellent type of the modern business woman, promptly fainted.

She was taken back to Natick and held in $3,000, but after three hearings she was discharged. The court would admit no evidence concerning the hearing, and it developed that no record of her commitment on her failure to provide bonds was kept.

She applied to the bank for money in order to get back to Springfield, but the officials abruptly declined to give it. On her arrival at Forbes & Wallace's department store there she requested to waste no time in leaving the store. When she called on acquaintances she had made in Springfield she got the same invitation. As a result of her arrest she lost her position as demonstrator for the Swan Electrical company.

She finally arrived in Brooklyn and secured a position in R. H. Macy's in New York, but she had to leave because there was so much talk about the "scrape" she was concerned in in Massachusetts. Several times after that she was discharged as soon as "wicked rumor" reached the ears of her employers.

She is now representing a Providence medical concern in New York. She was dressed yesterday in brown to match her chataigne complexion and auburn hair.

The defence of the bank was that it was an honest mistake of fact, and her lawyers, Clarence W. Rowley and Edward S. Hull of New York, said that they took this fact into consideration in settling for the above amount. P. H. Cooney for the bank.

POLICY HOLDERS

WANT A VOICE IN COMPANY'S AFFAIRS.

NEW YORK, March 3—A committee of policy holders of the Equitable Life Assurance society met yesterday with John D. Crimmins and a bill for submission to the legislature and providing for the mutualization of the Equitable society on radical lines was discussed.

Another meeting will be held today, the committee stating that a large representation of policy holders will be present. Mr. Crimmins said last night that it is the intention of the committee to permit the holders of a one year's policy for $1500 to have just as much voice in the management of affairs as the holders of a large amount.

TUITION RATES

TO BE ADVANCED BY TRUSTEES OF VASSAR COLLEGE.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 3.—President James M. Taylor of Vassar college, announces that the college trustees have decided to advance the rates which have been maintained since 1896. The tuition fee is advanced from $150 to $150 a year and the board from $300 to $350 per year, making the four years cost to the pupil staying at the college $2000, an increase of $400. The authorities reckon that this increase will net them between $90,000 and $100,000 a year. The new rates do not apply to students now at the college. Increase in cost of education and of living are given as the reasons for the increase.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis P. Reed of 10 Fifth street are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy.

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Harry Richardson's

CHINESE COOK

JANE LATHROP STANFORD.

Is Suspected of Having Poisoned Mrs. Stanford

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3—The Call publishes a dispatch from Honolulu today which says that Miss Bertha Berner, who was Mrs. Stanford's secretary, has named Ah Wing, a Chinese cook who has been employed at Mrs. Stanford's home for over 20 years, as the person whom she suspects of placing the strychnine in the bicarbonate of soda. Ah Wing, with the other servants in the employ of Mrs. Stanford is now confined in the Stanford mansion on California street by private detectives under orders, it is said, of the personal attorney of Mrs. Stanford. The servants are not allowed to leave the house and the watchman is on guard at the gate day and night with orders to prohibit all persons from approaching the dwelling. Besides Ah Wing there are two other Chinese servants and the housekeeper at present in the house. Since the announcement was made that strychnine had been found in the bottle of bicarbonate, detectives have made careful search of Mrs. Stanford's California street home and her place in Palo Alto. At both they have found a one pound can of imported bicarbonate of soda. The can at the Palo Alto home had not been opened but from the one discovered in the California St. mansion, there had been taken a small portion, presumably the amount needed to fill the small bottle that Mrs. Stanford carried with her to Honolulu.

Both of these cans have been analyzed by a local chemist who has pronounced their contents absolutely free from any kind of poison. With this knowledge in their possession the detectives have been eager to discover who re-filled the small bottle and possibly mixed the bicarbonate of soda with strychnine.

SKULL FRACTURED

A RECLUSE BADLY BEATEN BY TWO MEN.

WATERBURY, Conn., March 3.—Thomas Lockwood, aged 82, a recluse, was found in his farm-house on the road to Middlebury, yesterday, with his skull fractured in two places and his body badly cut and bruised. He says that two men called upon him Tuesday and at the point of a revolver made him sign a document giving them a right for a trolley line over his land. As he was signing it, he says, they struck him with a bludgeon twice, felling him to the floor, then rifled his house, taking everything of value with them. Four thousand dollars in non-negotiable securities was left behind.

WENT ON STRIKE

BROWN TAIL MOTH CHASERS WANT PAY.

BOSTON, March 3.—Forty men employed in exterminating the brown tail moth in this city by the city of Cambridge, struck today because the city refused to pay them for Feb. 22. Mayor Daly notified the committee of the employes that there was no rule under which they could be paid for time in which they did not work on a holiday and thereupon the men went on strike.

A CARD

To Citizens of Lowell:

There were exactly three reasons why she married him as she did.

Because she wanted to spite "Mamma;" because she had always been a wee bit stage-struck; or because she loved him so!

Who is "She"?

Why, "She's" one of the prettiest, plucklest, and most famous of all the fair daughters of Lowell. And there's no dearth of pretty girls in Lowell, as you know.

And now you want to know all about it, of course.

You will find the whole story, just how and why it happened, told by the heroine herself, in next Sunday's Boston American.

A beauty, a tempestuous tragedian, a mere mother, and the little blind god with the bow and arrow.

And it all happened right here in Lowell.

And that's by no means all! Well, rather not. That's only one page,—one page, mind you—of a 32 page Sunday paper, the best published in New England.

If you take it regularly—and if you don't you've missed something it will take you a long time to catch up with—just drop around to your newsdealer and leave an order for it, for next Sunday, sure.

The edition will be sold out early, you can be sure of that.

Saturday

March 4, I will sell 100 Imported Gravures, framed in gilt and wood, 11 x 14 glass for *25c Each.* Also another lot of Flowers and Fruit yards, *10c,* with cut prices on all the pictures in the store.

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The G. W. Groves Sale of Shanley & Co.'s Doomed Stock, after twelve of the greatest bargain giving days that Lowell has ever known, will continue in force today, Friday and Saturday. We have inaugurated a general crusade against cost price, cutting off in many cases fifty per cent. This means for the remainder of the week you can buy clean, seasonable goods at 1-2 the regular retail price.

Astounding Bargains in Fine Laces

Torchon Lace, 2c, 3c and 4c per Yard.

Escurial Silk Lace, 8c, 11c, 14c and 17c per Yard.

Lace Insertion, 2c, 3c, 6c and 9c per Yard.

Hamburg Laces, 3c, 5c, 7c and 9c per Yard.

Large Line of Dress Trimmings

Ladies' Linen Collars

Ladies' 4-ply Linen Collars in six different styles, doomed price 4 for 25c.

Ladies' All-over Lace (cape) Collars, doomed price 48c and 84c Each.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs in all white and colored borders, doomed price 2c, 7c and 9c.

Ladies' Belts, 39c, 75c and 98c, doomed price 38c.

Ladies' White Aprons, at half and less, 15c, 19c, 29c and 36c.

Furs—Furs—Furs

A better investment than money in bank at the prices marked on these goods.

Unheard of Bargains in Dress Goods and Linings

54-inch Wool Mixtures, Shirt Waist Suitings, value 69c, doomed price 29c per Yard.

44-inch Check Suitings, in medium and light colors, doomed price 11c per Yard.

52-inch Wool Plaid Mixtures, value $1.00 per yard, doomed price 69c per Yard.

Colored Pin Check Suitings, doomed price 8c per Yard.

All Black Silk Mixture, Shirt Waist Suiting, value $1.00 per yard, doomed price 64c per Yard.

All Black and Colored Lining Cambric, 3½c per Yard.

Black and Colored Sellsias, 20c quality, 11c per Yard.

Black and Colored Yard-Wide Tuxedo, 20c quality, doomed price 11c per Yard.

Lot Fancy Stripes, Yard-Wide Lining, value 17c per yard, doomed price 7½c per Yard.

Visit Corset Dept.

75c and $1.00 Corsets, doomed price 42c a Pair.

Big Bargains.. Small Wares

Angora Braid in black and colors, doomed price 8c.

Eureka and Belding, 100 yard, Sewing Silk, doomed price 6c a Spool.

Coat's or Clark's, 200 yard spool, Cotton, doomed price 4c a Spool.

Marshal's Linen Thread, doomed price 8c.

Ladies' Side Combs, regular price 10c, 12c and 17c, doomed price 8c a Pair.

Herbert's Steel Pointed Pins, doomed price 2 Papers for 9c.

Luther's Feather Braid, warranted, 6 yards, doomed price 5c.

Memorable Values in Domestics

64-inch Colored Table Damask, 19c per Yard.

62-inch Cream Table Damask, only 46c per Yard.

Lot French Satines, the kind that never fades, only 19c per Yard.

Domet Flannel, extra wide, only 4c per Yard.

36-inch Curtain Muslin, only 9c per Yard.

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Black and Colored Ribbons, 1c, 2c, 4c and 8c per Yard.

Black and Colored Velling, 11c, 16c and 19c per Yard.

Ladies' 4-inch Lace Collars, doomed at 12½c.

Memorable Values in Ladies' Kid Gloves

Ladies' Black and Colored Kid Gloves, value 75c, $1.00 and $1.25, doomed price 49c a Pair.

Ready to Wear Dept.

Second Floor.

Ladies' Fine Dress Skirts in a fine line of Mixtures, Shanley's price $3.49, doomed price only $1.69.

Ladies' All Wool Sweaters, regular price $1.98, doomed price $1.19.

Ladies' Mercerized Petticoats with ruffles and thin bias folds, value $1.98, doomed price $1.09.

Ladies' Golf Vests, sizes 32 to 44, big value at $1.00, doomed price 84c.

White P. K. Waists, doomed price 79c, $1.09 and $1.44.

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THE WEATHER

The indications are that it will be fair tonight and Saturday. There probably will be light winds, generally westerly.

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BEEF TRUST

Congress Informed of Its Operations

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President Roosevelt today transmitted to congress the report of the commissioner of corporations upon the beef industry submitted in compliance with the resolution of the house of representatives adopted March 7, 1904. The president's letter of transmittal is as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit herewith a report from the secretary of commerce and labor upon that portion of the resolution of the house of representatives adopted March 7, 1904, having to do with the prices of cattle and dressed beef, the margins between such prices, and the organization, conduct and profits of the corporations engaged in the beef packing industry.

In view of the fact that the department of justice is now engaged upon other matters involved in the resolution, the secretary of commerce and labor cannot at this time report thereon.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
White House, March 3, 1905.

The report of the commissioner of the corporations is to the effect that six packing companies: Armour & Co., Swife & Co., Morriss & Co., the National Packing company, the Sewarzchild & Sulzerberger company, and the Cudahy Packing company, slaughtered in the year 1903 about 45 per cent. of the total indicated slaughter in the United States; that the average net profit in 1902 for three of the companies was 99 cents per head; that the year 1902, instead of being one of exorbitant profits, was less profitable than usual and that during the months when prices of beef were the highest, some at least of the leading packers were actually losing money on every head slaughtered. The changes in the margin between prices of cattle and beef are in themselves no indications whatever of the change in profits, says the report.

Prices and conditions for the years 1902, 1903 and 1904 are reviewed and the conclusions are stated that the six companies especially discussed are apparently not over capitalized; that the percentage of profit on the gross volume of business is comparatively small, and that during the years 1902, 1903 and 1904, Swift & Co.'s profits have not exceeded 2 per cent. of the total sales so Cudahy & Co.'s is slated at 1.8 for 1904 and 2.3 per cent. for 1902. With reference to private car lines in the packing industry it is stated that the profit is a very liberal one, a net return of from 14 to 17 per cent. being indicated but it is added that reckoned on the basis of dressed beef transported, the profit would add but little to the cost of beef to the consumer. The profit of one concern, Cudahy Packing Co., on its investment in cars was as high as 22 per cent. in one year. Further, it stated that the six principal packing concerns while they slaughtered but 45 per cent. of the total cattle killed in 1903, they slaughtered nearly 98 per cent. of the cattle killed in the leading western packing centers; that they control a very large percentage of the trade in beef, particularly in the east and that they furnish New York about 75 per cent., Boston more than 85 per cent., Philadelphia about 60 per cent., Pittsburg more than 60 per cent., and Baltimore about 50 per cent.

SUMMARY OF REPORT.

A summary of the report follows::

That six packing companies, Armour & Company, Swift & Company, Morris & Company, The National Packing Company, The Swarzschild & Sulzerberger Company and the Cudahy Packing Company, frequently designated in the trade as "the big six" slaughtered in the year 1903, 5,521,697 head of cattle out of a total indicated slaughter in the U. S. of 12,500,000 head or about 45 per cent.

That the true average net profit for three companies—the Armour, Swift and Swarzschild & Sulzerberger—for the twelve months ending June 30, 1903, as shown by the twelve months ending June 30, 1903, as shown by their actual bookkeeping records, was 99 cents per head, not including incidental profits mentioned below.

That the year 1902, instead of being one of exorbitant profits, as has been commonly supposed, was less profitable than usual. The report says, in fact, that during the months when prices of beef were the highest, some, at least, of the leading packers were actually losing money on every head of cattle slaughtered.

That the changes in the margin between the prices of cattle and prices of beef are in themselves no indication whatever of the changes in the profits of the beef business.

That the margin between the price of cattle and the price of beef during the year 1902, instead of being unusually high, as popularly supposed, was for each half of that year lower than the margin for any corresponding half year since 1898, and that the increase in the margin for the second half of 1903, over the first half was no greater than the similar change in other years. An average margin, covering total killings of cattle by most of the packing houses in five leading western markets and sales of beef at 21 cities having a total population of about 10,000,000 persons was $2.81 per hundred weight for January to June, 1902; $2.53 for July to December, 1902; $2.14 for January to June 1903; $2.11 for the second half of 1903, and $2.23 for the first half of 1904.

That conditions in 1902 were abnormal, and that cattle prices for 1903 and 1904 cannot fairly be compared with that year. The great prosperity of the country from 1899 to 1902 apparently led to a considerable increase in the per capita consumption of beef. The practical failure of the corn crop of 1901 induced many cattle feeders to send their stock to market in poor condition, thus reducing the average weight per head and the average percentage of dressed beef to live weight. As a result, while the total number of cattle slaughtered at five leading western packing centers during the first half of 1902 decreased only about 1 percent as compared with the first half of 1901, the total live weight of the cattle slaughterd is computed to have decreased 4.3 percent, and the computed dressed weight decreased considerably more. In this connection the report says:

"In the face of the strong demand, the price of cattle was forced to the highest level ever known. The high prices of beef, which caused so much complaint among consumers at this time, were attributable wholly to these abnormal cattle prices."

That in 1903, the price of cattle fell very sharply, chiefly because of a large increase in the supply. The number of cattle killed in five leading western markets during the first half of 1903 was more than 15 percent greater than during the first half of 1902, and on account of the increased size of cattle the quantity of beef produced increased 22 percent.

In the second half of 1903 the quantity of beef from cattle killed at the same markets was about 10 percent greater than in the corresponding period of 1902. Under these conditions the price of beef, instead of remaining at the high level of 1902, fell during 1903 by a large absolute amount and about the same percentage as the price of cattle. That the six leading packing companies, especially discussed, are apparently not over capitalized.

That the percentage of profit on the gross volume of business, including hog and sheep products and other minor commodities, is comparatively small. In the case of Swift & Co., during the three years, 1902, 1903 and 1904, the profits have in no case exceeded 2 percent of the total sales. In the case of the Cudahy Packing company for 1904 the net profit was 1.8 percent of the total sales; in 1902 it was 2.3 percent.

That the profit of private car lines in the packing industry on mileage is a very liberal one, approximate computations indicating a net return of from 14 percent to about 17 percent. Reckoning on the basis of dressed beef transported, however, this profit would add but little to the cost of such beef to the consumer, the net profit from the mileage of private cars being computed at not more than 4 cents per 100 pounds of beef, or say 25 cents per head for cattle.

The statement already made that the six large concerns mentioned slaughtered in 1903 only about 45 percent of the total cattle killed in that year indicates very clearly the existence of active competition by other concerns, at least in many places. This is chiefly explained by the operations of a large number of small slaughtering establishments. Taking the principal slaughtering and distributing centers, the proportion controlled by the six companies mentioned is much greater.

For instance, the six principal concerns slaughtered nearly 98 percent of all the cattle killed in the eight leading western packing centers, namely, Chicago, Kansas City, South Omaha, East St. Louis, South St. Joseph, Fort Worth, Sioux City and South St. Paul. In the same way they control a very large percentage of trade of beef in many large cities, particularly in the east. In New York they furnish about 75 percent; in Boston more than 85 percent; in Philadelphia about 60 percent; in Pittsburg more than 60 percent; in Providence more than 95 percent; in Baltimore about 50 percent and in a number of important cities their proportion ranges from 50 to 90 percent of the total beef supplied. In the smaller towns of most sections of the country, on the other hand and even in large cities in some sections, their operations are relatively much less important.

For instance, such cities as Buffalo, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Indianapolis obtain only from 10 to 33 1-3 percent of their total beef supply from these six companies. In the southern states the large packers mentioned generally supply less than half the total beef consumed in the larger cities and in the smaller cities and towns of this section the proportion is generally less than one-fourth.

The six companies mentioned are almost the only concerns conducting operations over an extended area, slaughtering cattle in the great western market and transporting the product eastward for consumption. Except for the beef supplied by them nearly all his slaughtered by local concerns.

In order to make certain of the accuracy of the results, the bureau adopted a double method of ascertaining the profits. It first compelled, from the detailed records of packing companies, exact figures of the quantities, costs and sales of cattle and all products derived from them, and from these elements computed the profit of each of the packers separately and of all together. This computation was confined to the Armour, Swift and Schwarzschild and Sulzeberger companies. Then the figures thus independently reached were compared directly with the bookkeeping profits shown by the financial statements of the companies.

The report in conclusion says that the National Packing company, mentioned as one of the "big six," is a merger of various packing plants, but except for that censoration there appears to be no general inter-ownership of stock among the six prinelpal companies.

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PATRICK THYNE

Killed by Fall at His Home in Summer Street

Patrick Thyne, aged 50 years, fell down a flight of stairs at his home, 2 Quigley's court, off Summer street, early this morning, and after lying there for an hour or two was found by his mother. He was without the care of a doctor for over five hours and when a physician arrived he ordered the immediate removal of the injured man to St. John's hospital.

The exact time or how the accident occurred cannot be ascertained. Thyne slept in a room in the tenement occupied by his mother and several other members of the family. The tenement included rooms on the first, second and third floors, the injured man occupying a room on the third floor. In the room which he occupied four of his children slept. His wife died some years ago.

He had the tops of two of his fingers crushed in the foundry about a month ago which necessitated the removal of portions of the injured members.

Last night when Mrs. Thyne went to bed her son was not in and as was her custom she left a lamp burning at the head of the stairs to guide him to his room. Shortly after two o'clock this morning she heard moaning. Thinking that it came from the tenement on the first floor where a man was ill she paid little or no attention to it, but the continued moaning caused her to get up and walk into her front room which is directly beneath that occupied by one of her sons and his wife. After listening a while she learned that the moaning did not come from his room and then going into the hallway saw that the lamp was not there and felt confident that her son Patrick was in bed. She went to bed, but had not been there long when she heard more moaning. Arising again she went to the floor above and entered the room occupied by her son and his four children. The lamp which she placed at the head of the stairs was burning on a table and the four children were asleep. Patrick's shoes and outer clothing were on a chair, but he was not in the room.

Going into an adjoining room she awakened her son and said she heard moaning about the house and that Patrick was not in yet.

In the lower hall Mrs. Thyne and her son discovered Patrick at the foot of the stairs with both his legs through the rungs of the bannister. He was clothed in his trousers, stockings and undershirt. He was carried to the kitchen on the floor above, where a bed was made on the floor and he was placed on it.

The case was not considered very serious by the members of the family until several hours later when he did not regain consciousness. Several doctors were summoned, but they were out. At 9 o'clock this morning he had not regained consciousness and the officer on the beat was notified. The officer immediately summoned the ambulance and upon the arrival of the latter the man was removed to St. John's hospital where upon examination it was found that he was in a precarious condition.

To a representative of The Sun, Mrs. Thyne says that she thinks her son upon retiring thought he forgot to bolt the front door and went down to close the door and losing his footing fell to the bottom of the stairs.

An examination at the hospital showed that he was suffering from a fracture of the skull, and despite the fact that the physicians did all possible to try to save his life, he passed away at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

FRESHET FEARED

On Account of the Great Amount of Ice

Householders living in lowlands on the banks of the river are becoming apprehensive over the spring prospect.

A well-known resident of Pawtucketville remarked last night: "The water will be up on the boulevard when that ice begins to break up."

There is more ice and snow on the Merrimack at the present time than has been seen there for several years and toward the end of the month when it begins to break, all breaking at once there is considerable danger of a freshet.

GRAND JURY LIST

Lowell Cases for Next Week's Sitting

The Middlesex grand jury will come in at the court house in Gorham street on Monday and Wednesday will be the day assigned for Lowell cases.

The Lowell list of cases is as follows: Thomas J. Connors and Mary Connors, adultery; James O'Malley, robbery; John J. Maguire, breaking and entering and larceny, 2 counts; Andrew Patchopack, assault with knife; Arthur Marchand and Albert Contre, breaking and entering and larceny; George Benacos, assault and battery, 2 counts; Alfred J. Prescott, breaking and entering and larceny, John Adonakos and Estavales Papacolos, assault and battery with a weapon dangerous to life; Edward McEnany, Chelmsford, assault with intent to murder; Wilfred Wilbur, adultery; Thomas H. Connors, breaking and entering and larceny, Dracut; George Scelley, manslaughter, Dracut.

TALBOT SCHOOL

AT NO. BILLERICA CLOSED ON ACCOUNT OF DIPHTHERIA.

The Talbot school in North Billerica was closed today and thoroughly fumigated as the result of a case of diphtheria in the family of Postmaster Maxwell, the child being a pupil at the school.

NOTICE

Today and tomorrow the Caswell Optical Co., 27 Bridge street, will examine eyes by the latest and most modern methods free of charge and will furnish glasses at greatly reduced prices.

Do not be deceived by travelling opticians or peddlers of glasses, for these people belong to a class whose ability is so limited and so unscrupulous as to be impossible for them to practice successfully in a city where they are known. For your eyes and glasses consult Lowell's leading and reliable optical specialists.

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DEATHS

GRIFFIN—Ellen Griffin, aged 62 years, died today at her home, 203 Fletcher street. The deceased is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Catherine McPhee.

Mayor Casey will hold another conference with the Mawhinney Shoe Company within a few days. His Honor will not allow this grand opportunity to slip away from Lowell if he can help it.

MISS ALICE L. DONNELLY, teacher of piano, residence 36 Floyd st. Telephone connection.

HAD A FEW DRINKS

Private Detective Testified in Court

IN AN ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT CASE

Money Said to Have Been Taken

A case for alleged embezzlement worked up by Boston detectives against Robert E. Kenney an employe in the saloon of William W. Murphy was on trial today.

The detectives decoyed Kenney by false stories to Boston and there under threat of arrest on the charge of stealing from his employer forced Kenney to sign an agreement to pay Mr. Murphy $500. Later Kenney repudiated this agreement on the ground that it was secured under duress hence the suit.

Private detectives who worked on the case were witnesses for the government. John J. Hogan appeared for the commonwealth and Nathan D. Pratt for the defendant.

James R. Wood, Jr., of Boston was the first witness. His home is in Boston and he is engaged in the detective business. He said he was engaged by Mr. Murphy to work on the case.

Witness said he watched Kenney for one day and that during that time Kenney beat the register to the tune of $1.75. He gave a detailed account of how he reached this conclusion.

Mr. Wood said that on Jan. 31 he telphoned to Mr. Kenney and made arrangements to meet him in Boston.

"I telephoned to Kenney and told him I was Mr. Swift of Boston and that his name had been mentioned in an accident case and I wanted to interview him.

"I told him the story in order to inveigle him into coming to Boston. When he arrived at our office he was met by my father who explained to him that the story about the accident was a decoy and then my father stated the exact nature of his business."

Witness identified two bottles of liquor that a Mr. White, who is in the employ of his father, bought for Kenney and he said that Mr. Kenney put $1 less in the register than he received for the liquor.

"At first," witness said, "Mr. Kenney denied everything. My father called to me and I showed Kenney the tape that had been taken from the register, the same tape that was on the register when the liquor was purchased and the tape showed that $1 short.

"Kenney acknowledged taking 25 cents from a customer but he said he did that in order to save the 25 cents for the customer. Relative to the two bottles Kenney said he paid Mr. Murphy $1 for one of the bottles and put $1 in the register for the other bottle.

"I telephoned to Mr. Murphy and the latter came to our office and met Mr. Kenney. Mr. Murphy accused him of stealing from him and Kenney finally acknowledged that he had been stealing.

"Mr. Kenney said he had some money in the bank but did not know how much. He said his wife had the bank books and he telephoned for her. She came to Boston and while she was there Kenney offered to pay Mr. Murphy $500.

"Mr. Murphy told Mr. Kenney he did not think $500 enough but he agreed to take it. Later Mr. Kenney said he had two bank books, each representing more than $500."

An agreement drawn up in the office of the detective agency in Boston, signed by Kenney and his wife, in which Kenney turned over one of his bank accounts to Mr. Murphy, was submitted as evidence.

"Arrangements were made," said Mr. Wood, "for the party to go to Lowell and we went. Mrs. Kenney turned the bank-book over to me and, by request, Mr. Murphy allowed Mr. Kenney to continue at work for a few days."

On cross-examination Mr. Wood said that Kenney acknowledged that he had been taking a little money off and on since shortly after he went to work for Mr. Murphy, but did not know how much he had taken, and later he said he guessed he took between five and six hundred dollars.

"When asked what he had done with his money," said Mr. Wood, "Kenney replied that he did not know."

George F. Carney, treasurer of the Lowell Institution for Savings, was called by the government and submitted, as evidence, an order in favor of Mr. Murphy, calling for Mr. Kenney's bank-book and signed by Mr. Kenney.

On cross-examination witness said he had a paper in his possession notifying him not to recognize any order for Mr. Kenney's bank-book. The order was signed by Mr. Kenney and was submitted as evidence.

AFTERNOON RECESS.

Court adjourned, for dinner, at one o'clock and trial of the case was resumed at 2 o'clock. Mr. Wood Jr., was recalled and continued his testimony in cross examination, along the same line as that pursued in the forenoon.

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EXTRA

BEGGED FOR MERCY

Mob Threatened to Lynch Man Who Assaulted Girl

NEW YORK, March 3.—Led by an enraged father who asserted that the Syrian had attempted to maltreat his 11-year-old daughter, a howling and angry mob of 300 longshoremen dragged Assad H. Enchor from his room in the lower West side, placed a noose around his neck and was about to string him up today to a lamp-post when the police interfered. Enchor, who was almost fainting from terror and bruises inflicted by the longshoremen, begged piteously for the mercy of the mob, but the indignant men would not listen. He would have been lynched had not the police been attracted by his appeals and by the presence of the big crowd of longshoremen.

The policemen had to use their clubs frequently on the mob and were compelled to make a display of their revolvers before the crowd would desist from its intention of lynching Enchor. The police finally beat off the members and took Enchor to the station-house.

The father of the child whom Enchor is accused of attempting to maltreat is Michael Reagan, a longshoreman.

When Enchor was arraigned in court on a charge of assault Reagan shouted to the Syrian, "I'll get you some time and then I'll kill you!" The hearing of the charges against Enchor was put over until tomorrow.

As Enchor was being taken from the room, to prison, between two policemen Reagan struck him a heavy blow in the face that almost knocked him down. While Enchor shrank away from the furious man, the police hustled Reagan aside and took Enchor to prison.

HOUSES MARKED WITH RED CROSS

BATOUM, CAUCASUS, MARCH 3.—THE PAST NIGHT WAS DISTURBED BY FUSILADES IN SEVERAL QUARTERS.

A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS AWOKE THIS MORNING TO FIND THEIR HALL-DOORS MARKED WITH RED CROSSES.

CITY HALL NOTES

"Not even a case of measles," was the report at the health department office in City Hall, this morning. The number of contagious diseases has been very small during the past few weeks.

A red hot argument took place in the corridor of City Hall on Tuesday night after the councilmanic meeting which led to a report down town yesterday to the effect that a passage at arms had taken place. The facts were that Councilman Hayes took Councilman Morse to task for something he had said about City Solicitor Hogan and while they were wrangling over it Councilman Dodge entered the discussion taking Mr. Morse's part. The discussion wound up with Councilman Hayes offering to "lick" his two colleagues but the councilmen held their heads and there were no jolts or jabs exchanged. Yesterday a report was about that a regular rough and tumble fight took place.

The seekers after jobs who have been patiently doing nothing for several weeks on the strength of a promise of something "when the committee on appropriations reports" are now in a state of suspense having read that the committee will report next Tuesday.

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Best Smoked Shoulders.....7½c lb.
5 lbs. Choice Rice...25c
1 pk. Best Potatoes..16c
1 lb. 50c Tea.....50c
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Large Sweet California Navel Oranges. (Rose Brand).....14 for 25c

Monday, March 6 and Tuesday, March 7
Best Pure Lard.....8c lb.
Borden's Peerless Cream, 5c can 4c; 10c can 8c
Boston Blend Coffee.....22c lb.
(The best 25c Coffee sold.)
Choice Tomatoes...4 cans 25c; 7c can

Wednssday, March 8 and Thursday, March 9
Best New York Pea Beans, 7c qt.; 55c pk.
Choice Macaroni, 4 pkgs. 25c; 7c pkg.
Fancy Tomatoes, 3 cans 25c; 9c can
Choice Corn.....3 cans 25c; 10c can
Sifted Peas.....3 cans 25c; 10c can

ALL THE WEEK
Best Houlton Green Mountain Potatoes.....16c pk.; 60c bush.
Westphalia Bacon (by the strip).....12c lb.
Gallon Cans Pure Maple Syrup..... 85c
Yerxa's Best Flour (the finest milled).....$7.50 bbl.; 95c bag
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6 O'CLOCK

CALL TO RUSSIANS

To Defend Empire From Internal Enemies

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3.—The text of the Imperial manifesto, published by the Official Messenger today, calling on the country to rally around the throne in defence of the empire from its internal enemies, is as follows:

"An inscrutable Providence has been pleased to visit our fatherland with heavy trials. A bloody war in the Far East involving the honor of Russia and the command of the waters of the Pacific ocean, so urgently necessary to the consolidation of the peaceful prosperity, not only of our own, but of other Christian nations throughout the ages has imposed a great strain on the strength of the Russian people and has swallowed up many dear victims near to our heart. While the glorious sons of Russia are fighting with self-sacrificing bravery, risking their lives for their faith, for their emperor and for their country, disturbances have broken out in our own land to the joy of our enemies, and our own deep sorrow. Blinded by pride and evil minded leaders of a revolutionary movement, made insolent attacks on the holy Orthodox church and the lawfully established pillars of the Russian state, thinking that by severing the natural connection with the past they will destroy the existing order of the state and set up in its place a new administration on a foundation unsuitable to our fatherland. The outrage on the Grand Duke Sergius, who ardently loved the first capital of the empire and who met his end amidst the sacred monuments of the Kremlin, deeply shocks the national feelings of everyone to whom the honor of the Russian name and renown and his home are dear.

"We humbly bear the trials sent us by Providence and derive strength and consolation from our firm trust in the grace which God has always shown to the Russian power and from the immemorial devotion which we know our loyal people entertain for the throne.

"With the help of the prayers of the holy Orthodox church and under the banner of the autocratic might of the emperor, Russia has already frequently passed through great wars and disturbances, always issuing from her troubles and difficulties with fresh and unbending strength. Nevertheless the recent internal disorders and the instability of thought which have favored the spread of revolt and disturbances made it our duty to remind all those in the government institutions of their service oath and to call upon them to display increased solicitude in the safe-guarding of the law, order and security in firm conscientiousness of their moral responsibility as servants of the throne and of the fatherland.

"Thinking unceasingly of the welfare of our people and firmly trusting that God, after He has tried our patience, will give victory to our arms, we appeal to right-minded people of all classes to join us each in his calling and in his place in single-minded co-operation by word and deed in the great and sacred task of overcoming the stubborn foreign foe and eradicating the revolt at home in wise efforts to check the internal confusion. We wish to remind every one that if only there is tranquility of mind throughout the whole population, it is possible to realize our aims for a renewal of the quiet life of our people, strengthening the prosperity of the state and perfecting its administration.

"Let all those rally around the throne who were true to Russia's past, honestly and conscientiously have a care in accord with ourselves for every affair of state.

"May God send down on the clergy holiness, on those in authority, justice and truth, on the people, peace, on the laws, power, and on the faith, strength to the consolidation of the autocracy and the welfare of our dear subjects.

(Signed) "NICHOLAS."

MANY ARRESTS

MADE BY THE POLICE IN WARSAW.

WARSAW, March 3.—10.50 a. m. The police made numerous arrests in the course of the night, including Stanislas Lubieszki, editor of the Kurjer Codzienny. He is not believed to be connected with the agitation movement, but it is thought his arrest was ordered for its moral effect, Lubieszki being one of the best known persons in Warsaw.

The military and police patrols have been largely increased and are now stopping and searching person in the streets for revolvers.

INSURGENTS CAPTURE THREE TOWNS

CONSTANTINOPLE, MARCH 3—THE TOWNS OF AAB AND YERIM, SOUTHWARD OF SANAA, THE CAPITAL OF THE PROVINCE OF YEMEN, ARABIA, HAVE FALLEN INO THE HANDS OF THE INSURGENTS.

ALI RIZA PASHA WITH FIVE BATTALIONS OF TURKISH REINFORCEMENTS LEFT AKABA FEBRUARY 28 FOR HODEIDA.

PLANS DISCUSSED

But Committee and School Board Differ

IN MAKING CHOICE OF PLANS

Selection Postponed Until Another Meeting

The committee on education and the school board met at city hall to discuss the plans submitted by the different architects for a school house on Bennell street and disagreed on a choice.

The plans were numbered and that numbered "4" was thrown out as it had no specifications with it.

When the meeting was called to order the members who had previously inspected the plans spoke in favor of their choice and on informal ballot three votes were cast for plan "2", with plan "3" second with two votes while plan "5" had one vote.

Chairman Walker said he wanted contractors of repute to figure on the first and second choice. He thought that a fairer estimate of the buildings could be given if men of stability could have a look at the plans. Any plan which was for a building over $60,000 could not be considered, he said. He spoke of the insufficiency of appropriations for school buildings and cited the instance of the annex to the high school, the original appropriation for which was $20,500, but which cost the city $105,000.

On motion of Alderman Allen it was voted to authorize Supt. O'Connor to get estimates on the cost of buildings according to plans "2" and "3" and to have such estimates submitted to the committee next Thursday night, at 8 o'clock.

Chairman Duncan of the school board favored plan "3" and it was learned that the board unanimously favored that plan with six votes for plan "2" as second choice.

The committee will further discuss the matter next Thursday evening.

CORONER'S INQUEST

INTO THE DEATH OF JOHN A. HART.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—The coroner's inquest into the death of John Hart, found murdered in his stateroom on the steamer Larchmont, February 19, was continued today. Chief Steward James Harrison of the boat making his deposition. Steward Dickerson, who found the body, concluded his evidence yesterday. Steward Harrison first described his duties aboard the boat and stated that none of the waiters obtained pass keys during the night.

In the dining saloon, where the passengers were eating supper, he noticed, especially, one whose meat was cut by the waiter who served him. He was told by the waiter that the man wore a bandage. Another came into the saloon and sat beside the first man. Harrison went to his room and retired at about 8 o'clock. He arose at 5 o'clock, and at about 9.30 noticed a man coming from the alcove. Afterwards he learned that the man was John K. Breeze, the passenger who occupied a room in the same passageway. He was the only person he saw during the voyage coming from the alcove.

The first Harrison heard of any wrong was when Dickerson came to him, after the boat had docked, and said:

"There's a dead man in one of my rooms."

He went to the room and saw what appeared to be a cut on the man's cheek from which blood had flowed freely.

INSURANCE ADJUSTORS

HAVE THREE MORE MEETINGS BEFORE THEM.

The Huntington hall insurance adjustors held another meeting today and were busy on diagrams in relation to the hall. The adjustors expect that three more meetings will finish their work. They meet on alternate days and their next meeting in all probability will be held on next Monday.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of Thomas F. Fanning, of 32 Stanley street, will be held tomorrow morning at 8.30 o'clock from the house. Mass at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock.

No Appetite

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CIVIL MARRIAGE

Miss Porter Weds Dr. Edwin Mende

PARIS, March 3.—The civil marriage of Miss Elsie Porter, daughter of the American ambassador to Dr. Edwin Mende of Zurich, Switzerland, was performed this afternoon at the town hall of the municipality of the Passy quarter. The bride's witnesses were Gen.

MISS ELSIE PORTER.

Winslow and Clarence Porter. The groom's witnesses were Robert Westermann and Hans Boelke. Only members of the families and intimate friends were present. The mayor, who seldom officiates, personally conducted the ceremony which concluded with the presentation to the bride of a beautiful bouquet in behalf of the Passy quarter, in which the American embassy is situated.

WORKMEN'S DEMANDS

HAVE BEEN REJECTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 2—The workmen's demands that the government pledge itself to release the 300 workmen who had been arrested since January 22 and engage that the members of the mixed commission should have absolute freedom of speech and immunity of arrest on account of expression of opinions and that the proceedings of the commission should be published, have been rejected by the government as anticipated. Those who assembled at the people's palace today in accordance with yesterday's agreement found the meeting place closed and on the walls a notice placarded, signed by M. Schidlovski, president of the mixed commission, giving an evasive reply in regard to liberty of speech during the sessions of the commission while all the other demands of the workmen were negatived on the ground that he was not competent to give the guarantees demanded as the questions were outside his sphere.

The neighborhood was full of police, large numbers of whom were hidden in courts, doorways, alleys and buildings in the vicinity.

The workmen stood about in the snow discussing the situation quietly among themselves and finally decided to hold sectional meetings this afternoon to decide on the measures to be adopted before proclaiming a general strike and then dispersed.

RESIDENCE BURNED

LOSS ON THE PROPERTY IS $20,000.

PORTLAND, Maine, March 3.—The residence of Geo. E. Edwards, a real estate dealer, was totally destroyed by fire early today. The total loss on the building and contents was estimated at $20,000, with a partial insurance. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and others in the house barely escaped, so quickly did the flames spread. Their residence in same site was burned to the ground five years ago.

BRITISH CLAIMS

RUSSIA ASKED TO PAY $225,000 FOR NORTH SEA INCIDENT.

LONDON, March 3.—The British claims as a result of the North sea incident, on the night of Oct. 21-22, as finally submitted to Russia total $325,000. This amount, it is understood, will be paid in a few days without demurrer.

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CREEM IN COURT

Charged With Receiving Stolen Property

McFARLANE GOT A SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Several Drunks Were Sent Away

Harry Creem, 21, was arraigned in police court today on a complaint charging him with receiving stolen property and pleaded not guilty. John J. Harvey appeared for the defendant and the case was continued to Tuesday.

Creem was arrested by Inspectors Maher and Lafiamme and his arrest was due to the discovery, by these two inspectors, of two barrels of trolley wire at the Thorndike street freight house about two weeks ago. Creem admitted buying the wire from two men in Tewksbury, paying them $25 for the lot. He did not know the men, he said, and they had a team loaded with wire. He has given the police a description of the men who sold him the wire.

WAS STOLEN PROPERTY.

James Sunderland and Bernard Harrity, two small boys, pleaded guilty to the larceny of a copper coffee tank. The boys fathers were in court and made arrangements to settle with the owner of the tank. The boys broke the tank into pieces and sold it to Joseph Normando. The latter was arraigned for receiving stolen property and was ordered to pay a fine of $15.

TOOK JUNKMAN'S CART.

Michael Boyle, Ernest Tucker and Philip Tibbets were charged with stealing junk and it was also alleged that, after taking the junk, they pushed the cart into the river.

Philip Tibbets received a suspended sentence to the Lyman school and the cases of the other two were continued one week.

STOLE SOME MONEY.

John J. McFarland was charged with the larceny of $29 from Marie and Regina Paquette. His case came on continuance the case having been continued with the understanding that he would pay back the money. He did not live up to his agreement and was re-arrested. Mr. Farland was given a suspended sentence to the reformatory.

THE DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

Eugene Cote, jail two months; Alice F. Quigley, house of correction five months; Kyrialsos was fined $6 and four first offenders were fined $2 each.

FINAL STATEMENT

CANNOT BE GIVEN OUT YET SAYS SHEA.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 3.—Timothy Shea, second vice-grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and some members of the adjustment committee of the Brotherhood were in consultation at Hotel Garden today regarding the negotiations for the adjustment of differences with the management of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

"The situation has not reached a point where we can give out a final statement," said Mr. Shea, "but you can say that we hope this affair is in a fair way to a settlement."

Mr. Shea added that later in the day there probably would be a conference between representatives of the adjustment committees of the two brotherhoods, but that the committees would not b ready to call upon the railroad officials with a view to getting the company's sanction of the settlement plan before tomorrow.

FOUND IN CELLAR

MAN DESPONDENT BECAUSE OF ILLNESS COMMITTED SUICIDE.

MALONE, N. Y., March 3—Despondent because of illness, D. D. Hemenway who came here from Fitchburg, Mass., a few weeks ago, has committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. His body was found in the cellar of a store in which he recently purchased a half interest. He was about 44 years of age and leaves a wife and one child.

LOST—A shirt stud with green stone. Reward at 51 Andover st., upper tenement.

TO LET—Sunny furnished front room. Mrs. G. Finnigan, 507 Gorham st.

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MANICURING PARLORS

Miss Elizabeth V. Reardon will be pleased to meet all her friends and customers at her new parlors in the Central block, where she will attend to their wants in all branches of face and massage treatment and manicuring and hair dressing. Room 83, Central block, Central street. Take the elevator. Telephone 1114-3.

THE ROSS JEWELS

Found In Providence Pawn Shops

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—It is known that on last Monday the local police recovered several articles of jewelry in local pawn shops which have been identified as the property of Mrs. Hannah Ross, who met death under suspicious circumstances at Montclair, N. J., on Feb. 23. The description given by the pawnbrokers establishes the fact that the man who brought the jewelry here corresponds to that of Robert Harris, the missing coachman.

The jewelry recovered consisted of a ring set with two diamonds and an opal, and an old fashioned gold watch, both of which were identified as Mrs. Ross's property.

It was admitted by Chief of Police Matthews that the police here have been quietly searching for a man in connection with the Montclair murder and the man for whom search is being made is Benjamin Pettis of Attleboro, Mass., who is known to have been in the vicinity of Newark, N. J., for the past two years, but who appeared at his mother's home in Attleboro two days after the murder, disappearing for parts unknown the following day. The police state their belief that Pettis, Harris and the man who pawned the jewels are one and the same person, the description in each case tallying very closely.

THE EMPEROR

WILLING TO HEAR COMPLAINTS OF THE PEOPLE.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3—An Imperial decree commands that "in order that it may be possible for all our loyal subjects to be heard directly by the emperor" the council presided over by the emperor shall examine and consider in His Majesty's name all the views and wishes that may be received from private persons and institutions regarding perfecting the administration of the state and the improvement of the welfare of the people.

BROKEN PISTON

BRITISH STEAMER MET WITH AN ACCIDENT.

NEW YORK, March 3—A wireless message from Nantucket lightship today, reported the British steamer Korrinia passing the lightship at 7 o'clock this morning with a broken piston. There is no record of any steamer of that name in the marine registers and the dispatch from Nantucket suggested that perhaps the steamer might be the new Cunard liner Corronia. It is believed however that it would be impossible for the Corronia to have reached the lightship at that time as she sailed from Queenstown on Sunday last and is not expected before tomorrow. It is probable that the vessel was the British steamer Korrinia which sailed from Shields, Feb. 6 for New York.

STRONG PROTEST

AGAINST HOLDING BOXING CONTESTS IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, March 3—A petition protesting the holding of national amateur boxing championship matches scheduled for next Monday evening in this city was filed today with the Boston police board. The petitioners include many clergymen and contain among other names those of Vicar General Wm. Byrne of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Boston, Katherine L. Stevenson of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and W. H. Howells, representing the Brighton Public Order League. The petitioners claim that the exhibition would be in violation of chapter 267 of the revised statutes, under which the Massachusetts supreme court yesterday decided that sparring matches to which the public is admitted, by whatever method, are illegal.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

ONE WILL BE ERECTED IN MILLBURY.

MILLBURY, Mass., March 3.—Plans have been completed for the erection of the first parochial school in this vicinity upon the grounds of the Church of the Assumption in this town, this spring. The school, which will accommodate 200 pupils, will be for the use of the French speaking children of the parish.

DUN'S REVIEW

GIVES ENCOURAGEMENT ON BUSINESS SITUATION.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Dispatches to Dun's Review tell much that is encouraging regarding the business situation. Evidence of a good spring trade is more numerous at Boston, where manufacturers are receiving large orders, and the dry goods jobbing trade is well distributed.

Bank exchanges this week are the largest ever reported, the total for all leading cities in the United States being $3,315,524,415, a gain of 84.8 per cent. compared with last year and 50.2 per cent. over 1903.

BOSTON MARKET

STEADY AND QUIET AT THE OPENING.

BOSTON, March 3.—The Boston market was steady and generally quiet at the opening today. Shortly after the opening a selling pressure developed in Utah which carried the price down to 40⅞, off 1⅝. The selling price based on the statement of one of the leading interests that there is disappointment over the showing of the mines at the lower levels. In the general copper list the tone was fairly firm though very little disposition to trade was noticeable.

Business in the early dealings was again largely confined to the arbitrage stocks, the market for which it made in New York. The feature was the advance in Dominion Iron and Steel to 21¾ up 1⅝.

LIBERAL ELECTED.

LONDON, March 3.—The by-election yesterday in the Appleby or north division of Western Ireland due to the resignation of Richard Rigg, who seceded from the Liberals on the fiscal question, resulted in the return of Leif Jones, Liberal, by a majority of 229.

MANY STRANGERS

Everything Ready for the Inaugural

FULL PROGRAM OF THE EVENTS

Inaugural Concert Will be Held Monday

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Washington today is in readiness for tomorrow's inauguration of President Roosevelt. Thousands of persons from almost every state in the union are pouring into Washington and the streets and hotels are crowded with strangers. All the masse of plans worked out in detail by a small army of committees among whom the labors were divided are complete, the city is in holiday attire and all that is now needed is the propitious weather that has proved so often the uncertain factor in the inauguration scheme. The time card for the inaugural events are, closely as can be scheduled, as follows:

10 a. m.—President leaves White House for capitol with his personal escort.

10.30 to 12 noon—President remains in his room adjoining the senate chamber and passes on measures passed at the last hour and awaiting his action.

12 noon—President takes seat in senate chamber in front of vice president's desk.

12.15—President pro tempore of the senate administers the oath to Mr. Fairbanks as vice president.

12.20—New senators sworn in.

1.05—President Roosevelt takes the oath on the stand at east front of the capitol.

1.15—President Roosevelt reads his inaugural address.

1.20 to 1.30—President Roosevelt concludes his inaugural address and starts for White House, and parade, in which approximately 30,000 men, according to the committee's estimate, will be in line, begins to march.

Parade halts at head of Pennsylvania avenue to allow president to take luncheon and reach reviewing stand.

2.00—President at luncheon.

2.45—President enters reviewing stand and begins review of the parade.

5.30—Parade ends.

7.30—Inaugural ball committees assemble. Fireworks begin.

8.00—Pension hall opened for inaugural ball.

8.45—Fireworks conclude.

9.00—Grand march at the hall.

12, midnight—Ball ends.

Monday night—Grand inaugural concert.

Everywhere decorations abound. Pennsylvania avenue along which the thousands of troops and civic organizations will march tomorrow is a solid mass of color, hung from roofs and windows, while red, white and blue cover the reviewing stands, which line both sides of the avenue. Thousands of flags are flying and most of the business establishments have decorated their buildings for the occasion. The great feature of the grand pageant is at the plaza formed by Pennsylvania avenue between the White House grounds, the treasury building and the state, war and navy buildings on the south side and Lafayette park and the two blocks of buildings flanking it on the north side. There the whole space is virtually enclosed by handsomely equipped reviewing stands and the plaza is transformed into a "court of history." This court extends for four blocks, flanked on either side by artistic high corinthian columns and great bamboo poles with arrow peaks that point far above the roofs of the stands. These columns and poles were brought from the World's Fair at St. Louis.

In the centre of the south side of the plaza, directly north of the White House is the president's reviewing stand with accommodations for 1200 people invited to witness the spectacle with the president. Directly opposite it is another stand on which the grand marshal and members of the republican national committee will review the parade, and on whose succession of tiers of seats 6200 people can sit. In all concentrated on these stands overlooking this arena perhaps 15,000 people will be gathered. All the stands have been made to blend in one scheme of color and design with figured balustrades and harmonious arrangement of the stars and stripes.

Throughout the line of march reviewing stands have been built on nearly every block on both sides and every window in every building along the route will be packed with spectators. Every available officer and private of the regular police force will be on duty and 450 special policemen have been employed. Many detectives and police officers have been brought here from outside cities to aid in the maintenance of order and in the detection of crooks. The roping off the avenue has already been arranged for and at half past eight o'clock tomorrow morning a continuous line of rope and wire will have been stretched from end to end of the line of march and an army of policemen will be patroling within the lines to keep the crowds on the sidewalks.

THE QUINCY STRIKE

MAY BE SETTLED IN A FEW DAYS.

QUINCY, Mass., March 3.—The hope was entertained by business men here today that the strike of 1200 employes of the Granite quarries which has been on three days would be settled within a short time. The most encouraging development in the situation today was the announcement that the state board of conciliation and arbitration had sent a representative to interview each side and that both manufacturers and cutters had agreed to have their conference committees meet in the presence of members of the state board this afternoon.

INCREASE CABIN RATES.

LONDON, March 3.—A conference of the directors of the trans-Atlantic steamship lines today agreed to increase the cabin rates. The details have not transpired. The Cunard line which is represented by Lord Inver Clyde, the chairman of the company, is participating in the conference which is still in session.

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LATEST

LOSSES ARE HEAVY

Two Desperate Assaults on Poutiloff Hill Repulsed

SAKHETUN, Manchuria, March 3.—Stubborn fighting has been in progress all day long.

Four Japanese divisions are about 11 miles west of Mukden.

The Japanese today made two infantry attacks on Poutiloff hill but were repulsed. They have resumed the bombardment of the hill.

The Japanese attacked the Russian extreme left wing at two points as well as at Gauto pass, where during the morning the fortifications previously abandoned were recaptured by the Russians.

The bombardment of the Russian positions on the left and right flanks continued while the Japanese swept Poutiloff (Lone Tree) hill with at least 2500 shells from siege guns and mortars, the latter projectiles being recognizable by their enormous explosive force and massive splinters.

Towards evening the Japanese advanced on the right wing where stubborn fighting continues.

Though the Japanese are pushing forward, on the left bank of the Hun river, the Russians are maintaining a stubborn defence.

The four Japanese divisions engaged in the turning movement on the Russian right of the Liao river today reached Swanipu, about 11 miles west of Mukden but the Russian reinforcements were sent out and checked the advance.

A Japanese attack on the positions east of Erdagou at 4 o'clock this morning, was repulsed.

Under cover of the artillery fire and a mist the Japanese opened an infantry attack on Pouailoff hill at 7 o'clock this morning, but were beaten off by desolating fire of the Russian guns. A second attack at noon was similarly repulsed, after which the Japanese resumed the bombardment of the hill with siege guns preparatory to making a fresh assault. General Nogi's Port Arthur veterans are participating in the present fighting. The losses on both sides are heavy but the results are indecisive.

The report that a detachment of Japanese cavalry has appeared at Sinmintin is confirmed.

GENERAL KUROPATKIN MAY RETREAT

LONDON, March 3.—A despatch from Tokio to the Daily Telegraph states that the Japanese are endeavoring to force a decisive battle in Manchuria, but that it is feared General Kuropatkin will retreat, fighting a rear guard action.

Reports from the Shakhe river indicate, says the correspondent, that the Russian morale is seriously impaired and there are numerous voluntary surrenders not only of Poles and Jews, but of recently arrived European troops. They relate that rumors are current in the army that General Kuropatkin has been recalled and knowledge of the internal troubles in Russia causes a deep impression in the army.

Reports at Tokio, but not confirmed officially, are to the effect that the Japanese have occupied Skahallen.

JAPANESE READY TO MAKE ATTACK

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, March 1.—10 a. m., via Fusan (delayed in transmission)—The Japanese are moving north, taking position The main force this morning with the troops on the east bank of the river Hun advanced under the cover of a heavy bombardment on Chantan and neighboring villages, reaching a point 100 metres from the Russian trenches. They are now holding theposition, awaiting a favorable opportunity to attack.

RUSSIAN ATTACK EASILY REPULSED

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, Feb. 28, 5 p. m. (Delayed in transmission) —The Russians have been very active for several days, evidently expecting the Japanese to move. That portion of the Japanese line lying west of the railway has been continuously bombarded night and day with heavy guns as well as field guns. The left wing, following the example of the extreme right, moved forward, driving in the outposts and occupying a line running from Shotzemun to Kakuma on the east bank of the Liao river, 12 miles north of the Shakhe river. This completely blocked any attempt of the Russians to turn the Japanese left. It is probably that the commencement of a general battle is only a matter of hours. The Russians are spending the days heavily bombarding the Japanese lines and at night making small attacks on many points, sending out detachments of one or two companies.

All the attacks are easily repulsed by the Japanese who are suffering no serious loss. The most serious attack occurred last night, when five companies of Russian infantry desperately assaulted Tamuting, which has been attacked a score of times since the battle of the Shakhe. After a desperate fight lasting one hour and a half, the Russians were repulsed. They left behind 60 dead and some prisoners. A severe bombardment is continuing today, the Russians using additional heavy guns, but firing blindly. The Japanese are responding lightly. There is every evidence that both sides are preparing for what may prove the decisive battle of the war. Probably fully a million men will be ready to move when the battle is joined.

The battle must be fought before a general thaw comes, making the roads impassable for several weeks. The Japanese troops are in excellent health and spirits despite the long winter of unaccustomed cold. A few Russian soldiers are surrendering daly, the number being largely increased the last few days.

RUSSIANS ENTRAPPED BY THE JAPANESE

GEN. KUROKI'S HEADQUARTERS, March 2, via Fusan—The battle is progressing favorably for the Japanese, although a snow storm is swirling over the hilltops. The gunners get glimpses of their targets only when the clouds lift a few moments. The Japanese made great gains by night, advancing against the Russian position on the extreme left and they occupy a part of the first line of the triple line of defences in the hill beyond the Shakhe. The Russian trenches here run northeast of the crests of the low line of hills, following the bend of the river. The main defence lines are higher in the hills beyond. The Japanese right forces pushing forward under cover of night gained Ofurel and Taka mountain, surprising the Russians and meeting with but little opposition.

At Ofurel the Japanese found trenches encircling the hill. They attacked from three sides and entrapped the Russians, capturing 60. These were partly dressed in Chinese clothes and looked as though they had been leading a hard life.

The Japanese forces directly west of Waitao mountain took advanced positions close to the river during the night. A tremendous bombardment is being made westward today.

Great clouds of smoke are ascending near the Wanpaosan hills, where the Japanese fire is directed. The cannonading about Waitao mountain was suspended this morning. The Japanese right is shelling the Russian works on the higher hills and at noon the Japanese batteries near Waitao mountain resumed work, co-operating with them. On Tuesday 60 Russian guns were working. Opposite Waitao mountain yesterday there were only 30. The Japanese casualties in the right army have been very few compared with the results gained. Those regiments camping in the open ground or making night attacks, muffled in heavy clothes, are put to the hardest tests that soldiers could endure.

GENERAL BATTLE IS IN PROGRESS

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3, 5.30 p. m.—According to the latest information from the front, the battle is now general and of the most desperate character. The losses have been exceedingly heavy on both sides during the preliminary fighting. Although it is not officially admitted, it is regarded as certain that General Kuropatkin is directing all his efforts to the withdrawal of his army to Tie pass.

The Japanese have not only driven in his left, but a column is already reported to have crossed the Hun river east of Fushun. At the same time the Japanese are pressing the Russian center under cover of the fire of their siege guns and Gen. Kuropatkin is gradually retiring before the Japanese advance. The efforts of the Japanese to envelop the Russian right wing have been unsuccessful but it has been forced back almost on a line with Mukden. Two Russian divisions were dispatched to head off the wide flanking column advancing from the Liao river towards Sinmintin, about 30 miles west of Mukden, but according to the latest advices they were too late, the Japanese having entered the town yesterday.

No official figures regarding the losses are obtainable, but according to unofficial reports the Russian losses up to last night were nearly 7000 men.

Gen. Rennenkampff particularly distinguished himself during the fighting in the mountain passes southeast of Mukden.

RUSSIAN OFFICER HAS BEEN KILLED

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3—A dispatch from Gen. Kuropatkin, dated March 2, says:

"Our detachment at Oubenpusa holds its position. The commander of the advance guard, Nogeiko, has been killed.

A detachment of the right flank near Kudaza has repulsed an attack by the Japanese whose losses were enormous. One company was annihilated.

"The heights commanding the entire plain near Tomaguchen enter alternately changing hands, have been definitely occupied by our troops.

"The Japanese attack on our right flank has been repulsed.

"At 7 a.m. the Japanese advanced on Poutiloff (Lone Tree) hill but were repulsed.

"Our losses yesterday were insignificant."

RUSSIAN GUNS UNABLE TO RESPOND

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, March 1, Noon, Via Fusan, (Delayed in transmission)—The Japanese this morning opened a terrific bombardment, the entire line using enormous guns, the heaviest yet used. The Japanese fire was directed against the Russian defenses of the villages on both sides of the railway and great damage was done. One hundred guns of all sizes took part in the bombardment. The Russain guns were quiet for the first time in months. Evidently they were unable to respond.

STOCK MARKET

Today's Quotations on Active Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of today's stock market for active stocks:

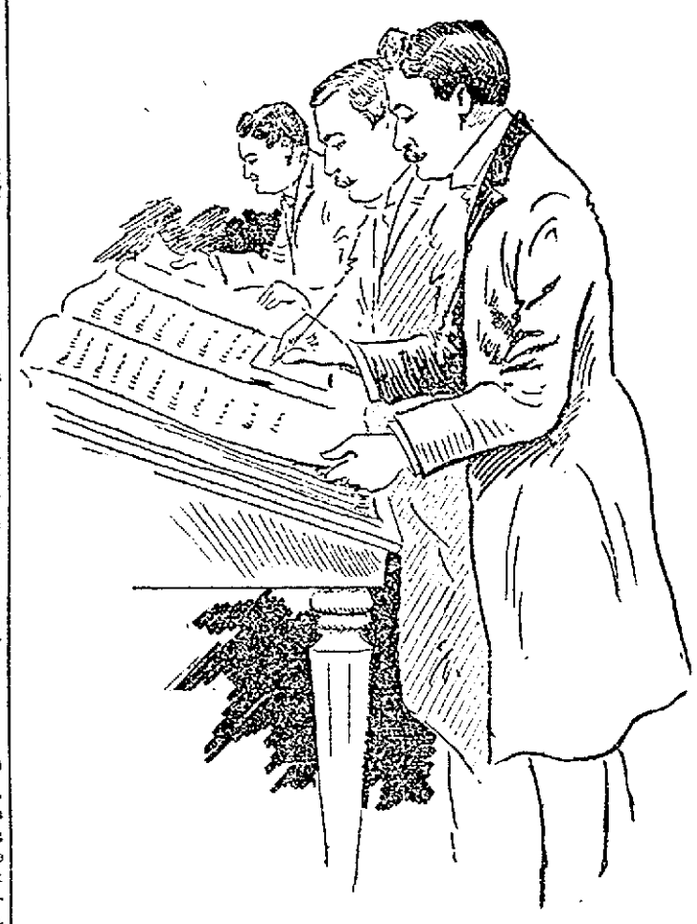
NEW YORK STOCKS.

Am Sugar	149⅝
Am Sugar pfd	139⅞
A & T	89¼
A & T pfd	102½
*B & O	109
*B & O pfd	97
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	66⅛
Chi & Gt W	22⅞
C M St & P	177½
C R & P	35
C R & P pfd	80⅛
Con Gas	212¼
Del & Hud	160
Erie R R	47⅞
Erie 1st	82
Gen Elec	187½
Manhat Con	170¾
Mo Kan & Tex	32¾
Mo Kan & Tex pfd	66½
Met St Ry	123¼
Mis Pac	108⅝
N Y Cen	155
N Y Out & W	54⅞
Penn	142⅝
People's Gas	109¼
So Pac	69⅝
Reading	94⅝
Reading pfd	92½
Reading 2d pfd	90
Tex & Pac	38¾
Union Pac	132½
Union Pac pfd	100
U S Steel	35⅞
U S Steel pfd	95½
Wabash	22⅞
Wabash pfd	46
W U Telegraph	94
U S Leather	11½
U S Leather pfd	104

BOSTON STOCKS.

Adventure	6¼
Amalgamated	77⅝
American Wool	25¼
American Wool pfd	93¾
Am el & Tel	143¼
Arcadia	1½
Atlantic	16
Anaconda	26
Anaconda	109½
Allouez	22¼
B & Maine	175½
Bingham	31
Boston	6⅞
Calumet & Hecla	675
Centennial	19
Chicago Junction	17
Chicago Junction pfd	132
Copper Range	79¾
Dom Steel	21¼
Dom Coal	62½
Dom Coal pfd	114
Daly-West	17½
Elm River	3
Elevated	156
Fitchburg	143
Franklin	10½
Granby	5¼
Greene	28⅛
Mass	12¼
Mass Gas	43½
Mass Gas pfd	82½
Mass Electric	16¾
Mass Electric pfd	63
Mayflower	1
Mex Cen	24⅝
Michigan	13¾
M C & C	4
Mohawk	53¾
N E Tel	136½
Osceola	94
N Y, N H & H R R	206½
Old Colony Mine	1¼
Old Colony R R	209
Old Dominion	26½
Shannon	7¾
Royal	24
Rhode Island	2
Tamarack	127
Parrott	29
Quincy	105
Sante Fe	25¾
Trinity	10¾
United States Oil	9⅞
United States	25
Utah	40½
Victoria	4¾
Winona	14
Wolverine	115
Western Tel	20½
Western Tel pfd	102
West End	92
West End pfd	115
Wyandotte	2¾

ANOTHER MEETING



MEMBERS OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE EXAMINING THE TAX BOOKS AT THE CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Committee on Appropriations Sifted Pauper Dept.

At its meeting at city hall last evening, the committee on appropriations voted to instruct the assessors to raise by taxation $1,291,900 during the present year, an amount about $19,000 less than was raised by last year's committee. It was also voted to submit its report to the city council next Tuesday night and will, therefore, meet again on Monday night next to prepare the report.

Mayor Casey's veto of the order for the certified lists of delinquent taxpayers was accepted graciously by the committee, the members being satisfied to act upon the mayor's suggestion and look over the books in the treasurer's office.

The overseers of the poor were heard, some of them blaming Dr. Donlan for the extravagances of the department while others had a good word to say for him. Quite a number of citizens attended the meeting, expecting something spicy from the overseers but nothing developed.

When the meeting was called the "chairman" of the overseers was invited to speak first and Mr. McCoy took the floor. Mr. Eastman was present but remained silent. Mr. McCoy was asked relative to the statement of Dr. Donlan that the overseers were responsible for the large pay roll. He replied that he had only sent two men to work there in his four years of service. He was asked if the help could not be reduced 30 per cent. if it were not for the fact that the overseers insisted upon keeping men to work and he replied that he did not know.

"Gen." Shields offered a few remarks directed against Dr. Donlan and a letter was read from the latter in which he informed the committee that Mr. Shields' attack was a personal one as the result of the latter's failure to secure employment at the city farm under the present administration.

Mr. Morse of the committee thought that a livery stable could furnish an ambulance service cheaper than the city. He thought $4 per call was a sufficient amount to pay.

Mr. McMinnis was asked his idea as to expenses and he didn't have any.

"I don't know much about them," said the overseer, "because they won't let me in. I couldn't get a man a job there if I tried."

Mr. Shields said that the farm should maintain itself. "The trouble is," said Mr. Shields, "we haven't a competent farmer up there."

Councilman McAloon asked if Avery Marshal, the boss farmer, did not know his business and the reply was that Mr. Marshal is satisfactory.

The question was asked as to why the cost per inmate had increased 100 per cent. in about three years but none of the overseers could explain.

Mr. Foye said there were times when poor cases were reported to the overseers. He paid Dr. Donlan a compliment upon the administration of the city hospital, emphasizing the value of a physician constantly present at that institution. The presence of a registered pharmacist there was also referred to by Mr. Foye.

Mr. McCoy said the board was familiar with the expenses of the department only in a general way. He denied that the overseers hired and discharged help.

Mr. Eastman said the expense at the farm ought to be materially reduced. Less help should be employed. He said it was possible to reduce expenses if five votes were obtainable.

Continuing, Mr. Eastman said:

"I have seen many pitiable cases in ward 6, cases deserving attention. As late as 11 o'clock at night I have been called to assist a family. I have in mind one case where the father and mother were sick and the children were crying for bread. I have gone down into my pocket at different times to help such people."

Mr. Foye said there are 28 men now on the pay roll, making a weekly wage list of $255.

Mr. Shields addressed the committee again concerning Dr. Donlan's "coachman" and a fireman who hasn't a license.

Mr. McCoy was asked as to the superintendent's ability and he replied that Dr. Donlan is a competent official and has wrought great changes at the institution.

Overseer Shepard said it was up to the superintendent to act in regard to the reduction of help as the overseers had no authority. Mr. McCoy and others said that they would vote for a reduction in help. The overseers were then excused.

City Solicitor Hill appeared before the committee with a request for an appropriation to meet the expense of hearings on the grade crossing matter. The committee thought this a proper subject for the city council to consider.

Mayor Casey's veto message was then read.

Dear Sir:—I would respectfully urge the members of the committee on appropriations to endeavor to submit their report to the city council next Tuesday evening if possible. Some departments will have exhausted one-sixth of their appropriation next week, and in accordance with the provisions of the ordinances will be unable to incur any more expense until the regular appropriation is granted.

I am unable to understand why the committee should withhold its report until information is obtained relative to delinquent taxpayers. While I commend the committees' activity in this respect, yet the committee must know that no additional revenue can be obtained from this source upon which to base appropriations.

I feel that the committee should be informed of my attitude in relation to the joint order passed by the city council, entitled "Order directing the city treasurer and collector of taxes to furnish joint committee on appropriations with certain information". This order I consider unnecessary. It entails expense that can well be avoided, and the desired information can be obtained if the committee will visit the city treasurer's office, where the books are open for inspection. I have conferred with the city treasurer, and he informs me the books are at the disposal of the committee in his office, and that he will render every assistance possible to the committee. In view of these facts I feel that inasmuch as the committee can obtain the same information as is requested in the order without the consequent tedious delay and expense, that the committee should visit the treasurer's office for the information desired.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES B. CASEY,
Mayor.

It was voted to report on next Tuesday and it was voted not to grant increases in salaries to Charles C. Wilson and James S. O'Sullivan, clerks in the city treasurer's office. The treasurer was allowed the amount of his estimate for sundries.

The committee voted to order the assessors to raise by taxation $1,291,900, an amount about $19,000 less than last year. The total expense was placed at $1,678,951.03.

The committee adjourned until Monday night, when the final meeting will be held.

DEATHS

QUINN—Mrs. Ann Quinn, aged 52 years, died at the home of her daughter, 20 Chamber street, this morning. She was the wife of Maurice J. Quinn and an old and esteemed resident of St. Patrick's parish.

POTTER—In Malden, March 1, Joseph W. Potter, aged 79 years, 10 months. Besides a widow, he leaves three children, Mrs. Olive Leckling of Malden, Mrs. Blanche Niblock of Brookline and Wm. H. Potter of Lowell.

MAXWELL—Charles Maxwell, aged 55 years, died in Tewksbury, yesterday. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker Savage.

DOHERTY—Catherine E. Doherty, aged 26, a well known and highly respected young lady of this city passed away this morning at the home of her parents, 114 Agawam street. The deceased was the daughter of Joseph and Mary and was a prominent and devout member of the Sacred Heart church, being interested in the work of the church. Besides her father and mother she is survived by a sister, Marion and a host of friends.

FUNERALS

MURPHY—The funeral of the late Nell Murphy will take place tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the funeral parlors of Funeral Directors A. H. Bixby & Co., 318 Merrimack street. Friends invited.

DONNELLY—The funeral of the late Rose Donnelly took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 33 Kinsman street was was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased, including a large number from out of town. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church, in Gorham street where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at nine o'clock by Rev. W. George Mullin. The choir was in attendance and sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by the members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. Daniel McAleer, Frank Gallagher, John Cox and Peter McCusker. The interment was in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. The funeral was under the direction of funeral directors John J. O'Connell & Co.

MORAN—Gertrude Moran, aged 25 years, died of appendicitis, at Worcester Monday afternoon. The funeral services were held at St. John's church in Worcester Wednesday afternoon and the remains were brought to this city for interment yesterday afternoon, the interment being in the family lot in the Edson cemetery.

The deceased was formerly Miss Gertrude Ashworth of 74 Chambers street this city and leaves to mourn her loss a husband, James C. Moran and a girl three years old, Mabel Moran. The funeral was under the direction of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

RUSSIAN LOSSES HAVE BEEN HEAVY

MUKDEN, March 3.—A ceaseless artillery fire is heard 10 miles southward. The roar of the guns is becoming more distinct every hour.

The Russian losses during the last five days have been heavy.

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All-Over Laces, 18 inches wide, ...25c to 98c yd.
New Venice Lace Collars, 50c to $1.50
New "Val" Laces, ...12 yds. for 25c, 6 yds. for 15c.
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Fifty employes of the Ollesheimer firm who were at work on the upper floors of the building were warned of their danger soon after the fire started and all escaped without injury.

Flames from the burning building shot up into the air to a great height and this, together with great volumes of smoke which rolled away and spread over that section of the city, brought an immense throng of people to the scene. Even before the last piece of fire apparatus arrived, the crowd was far beyond the control of the police and extra fire patrols and reserves from nearby stations were called out to preserve order. The Sixth and Ninth avenue elevated lines pass within a short distance of the fire and the arrival of every down town train added hundreds to the crowd which pressed around the closely guarded fire lines.

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STRUCK BY AUTO

AARON BLANCHARD WAS KNOCKED DOWN IN MERRIMACK SQUARE.

Aaron Blanchard an aged man who resides in Belvidere was knocked down by an automobile in Merrimack Square this morning and fortunately escaped serious injury. The driver of the auto was Dr. Boyden H. Pillsbury and those who were eye witnesses to the affair say that the doctor was entirely blameless and that the auto was proceeding at a slow rate when the man was struck.

Mr. Blanchard was thrown to the ground and Officer Ryan ran to his assistance. Dr. Pillsbury stopped his auto and went to see if the man was in need of medical attendance but Mr. Blanchard said that "all it did was to knock the wind out of me."

MONTHLY COFFEE PARTY.

Once a year the men of Grace church run the monthly coffee party. Last evening's function was the fourth annual social given by the men of this church. Henry H. Harris was chairman of the committee of arrangements and was assisted by Harlan P. Godale and C. Arthur Abbott. The hosts were W. N. Goodale and John W. Stott, who were aided by a corps of efficient waiters, gentlemen of the church, over thirty in number, and they presented a natty appearance in their white coats and aprons.

The menu was served at 6 o'clock, and included escalloped oysters, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, baked beans, sliced ham, celery, hot rolls, cake and coffee. After the supper the company repaired to the chapel where the North Chelmsford truant school band entertained by well rendered selections. Mr. Bert Bedell gave vocal solos, and Miss Clara Mitchell read very acceptably. A candy table was in charge of Miss Mabel and Miss Addie Howes, and Mrs. Samuel Bigelow was chairman of the apron table. About 200 were present to supper.

FOUND DEAD

WOMAN WAS REPORTED TO BE WEALTHY.

PITTSFIELD, March 3—Lying on the edge of her bed, partly dressed, Mrs. Mary Haynor, residing in an isolated house on the Hancock road, was found dead by her nephew, Charles Mathes, late yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Haynor had evidently died of a hemorrhage Wednesday evening after 8 o'clock, as her daughter, Mrs. Annie Roberts, had left her about that time in apparently good health. She was 75 years of age, and had been ill from a cold. Mrs. Haynor was reputed wealthy, although she lived in an unfrequented neighborhood four miles from this city. She was eccentric. For several years she was engaged in the occupation of picking berries and often collected garbage for use on her small farm. She at one time was stopped by the police for persisting in walking about the city in her bare feet. Two daughters and one brother survive her.

HOLDS FIRE OVER NIGHT
STANLEY'S COAL
223 MOODY ST. 53 MEADOWCROFT ST. 12 THORNDIKE ST.

NATICK WINNING

Haverhill Defeated in the Second Game

NATICK, March 3.—Natick won the second consecutive game from Haverhill in the championship series in Concert hall last evening by a score of 18 to 16. In the second period only the quick work of the police prevented a riot. During an exchange of blows between Wachter and Fogarty, almost every man on both teams were in the mixup.

The rough-house work was started by Wachter, according to all reports, and Fogarty brought it to a close when he landed a knockout punch that put the "race horse" to the bad for a few minutes. The incident aroused the audience to the highest pitch of excitement and only the interference of the police prevented a general outbreak. It was the second of the post season series between these teams and both played hard to win. In the first period each scored the same number of times. In the second Haverhill went two points to the good but in the final period Natick came back in grand style and carried off the honors. The teams will play two more games in Natick and two more in Haverhill, and in case another game is necessary to decide the championship, which many believe will not be the case, it will be played in Lowell.

NATICK.		HAVERHILL.
Fogarty (Ferat) rf		lb Haggerty
Hough lf		rb Williamson
Mulliner c		c Wachter
Kinkaide rb		lf Kennedy
Mayham lb		rf Doyle

Score—Natick 18, Haverhill 16. Goals from floor—Fogarty 2, Hough 2, Kinkaide, Mayham, Williamson 2, Kennedy, Doyle 2. Points on fouls—Natick 5, Haverhill 6. Fouls called—On Fogarty 7, Ferat 2, Hough 2, Mulliner, Kinkaide 3, Mayham 3, Haggerty, Williamson 3, Wachter 3, Kennedy 4, Doyle. Referee—Charles Connors of Lowell. Timers—Kelliher, Dolan. Time—Three 15-minute periods. Attendance—800.

PREMIER PARENT

HAS DECIDED TO RESIGN HIS OFFICE.

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 3.—Hon. John Parent, premier of Quebec, has decided to resign, according to special dispatches from Quebec city. His leading opponent, Hon. Lomer Gouin, will be summoned tomorrow by the lieutenant governor to form a cabinet. The new cabinet, Mr. Gouin says, will consist of the following men:

Mr. Gouin, premier and minister of public works; Mr. Achumbalt, attorney general; Mr. Turgeon, minister of lands, mines and fisheries; Mr. McCorkill, treasurer of the province; Auguste Tessier, provincial secretary; Rodolph E. Remy, minister of agriculture; W. A. Wier and probably another minister without portfolio.

Ill health is the reason advanced for Premier Parent's retirement. His supporters in the legislature are outnumbered by those of the other Liberal faction and his withdrawal, it is claimed, could not have been long delayed.

FOR CLERKSHIPS

Civil Service Examinations at City Hall

A civil service examination for clerical places, under the municipal service, took place this morning in the common council chamber at city hall, in charge of Commissioner Charles H. Conant.

The general examination was taken by 14 men and one young woman, while the limited was taken by seven men and six young women.

POOR OVERSEERS

WILL INSPECT MONTHLY BILLS THIS EVENING.

The overseers of the poor will meet, to approve bills, at city hall tonight. Chairmen McCoy and Eastman will be on hand and each may attempt to preside.

MISSION FAILED

GENERAL VELUTINI HAS BEEN RECALLED.

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacoa, March 3.—President Castro of Venezuela, according to advices received here from Caracas, has just recalled General Antonio Velutini, second vice president of the republic, who some two years ago was appointed fiscal agent on Venezuela in Europe to arrange for the unification of the Venezuelan debt, owing to the failure of his mission.

REV. MR. MIX

IS IN NO HURRY TO COME TO LOWELL.

It is evident that Rev. Clifton H. Mix is in no hurry to come to this city, having been called to the First Congregational church, for he has bought a house in that city, according to the Worcester Telegram which says:

Rev. Clifton H. Mix, the new pastor of Pilgrim church, has bought the house formerly owned by Caleb Colvin, 892 Main street, at the corner of Norwood street, and as soon as it can be put in condition for occupancy, Rev. and Mrs. Mix and their four children will move into it.

The purchase price is not made public, but it is understood that Rev. Mr. Mix bought at a bargain. The Worcester house directory has the building valued at $5200, and the land of which there are 11,465 feet, at $5000, a total of $13,200.

The house contains 13 rooms, with spacious halls on the ground floor and upstairs. It is within one minute's walk of the church, and near the Woodland street school.

DRACUT EVENTS

PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY AT CHARLES McCARTHY'S HOME.

A very pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. McCarthy in Collinsville last night, their son Eugene, being the recipient of a combination writing desk and book case from four of his friends.

The presentation speech was made by Edward Brennan and the recipient responded. During the evening the following musical program was carried out: Songs, Eugene McCarthy, Edward Jennings, David Kennedy, Walter Marshall, Margaret Kennedy, Edward McKinley and Mary Furlong; duet, by Miss Rose Gorman and Mr. Walter Marshall; trio, David Kennedy, Walter Marshall and George Campbell. The piano was presided over by Miss Gertrude Furlong. Miss Bridget Sullivan and Eugene G. McCarthy.

During the evening refreshments were served. About 60 people were in attendance, many of them coming from Lowell.

THE MATHEWS

INTERESTING NOTES FROM THAT POPULAR SOCIETY.

The Dramatic club of the Mathews went to Boston yesterday. There were 14 in the party, Misses Mary Joyce, Elizabeth Doran, Jennie Maguire, Josephine Johnson, Catherine McDonough and Lillian O'Brien, and Messrs. William F. Thornton, John J. Lyons, John J. Coyne, Dennis J. Sullivan, Thomas J. Beane, Daniel P. McKenna, Patrick J. Kane and Bernard McNally.

The party left on the 3.47 o'clock train and had a dinner at the Quincy house. In the evening the party attended the Tremont theatre and saw E. S. Willard in "The Brighter Side". They returned home on the theatre train.

Elaborate preparataions are being made for the Easter Monday ball. The floor director will be elected on March 21st.

The weekly meeting of the Glee club was held at the rooms last night. Jas. A. Murphy has charge and there are more than 50 members. They are preparing to sing the Gregorian mass at St. Michael's church on Palm Sunday. This will be the second time a male choir has ever sung this music in a church in this city. Last year this same club sang it at the same church.

FOX PIANOFORTE RECITAL.

The Steinert & Sons Company announce a pianoforte recital by the distinguished pianist, Mr. Felix Fox. The program which Mr. Fox will play is one exciting the interest of all musicians and musical lovers, contains several pieces new even to musicians, and one piece, Moriz Rosenthal's "Variations on an original theme", has never been played before in America. A good audience is already assured for the occasion, and those that have not purchased tickets already may find them at the piano rooms of the M. Steinert & Sons Co., 130 Merrimack street. The recital is to take place in Colonial hall on Thursday evening, March 9th.

CHURCH MUSICALE.

A musicale was held at the residence of Mrs. Eugene D. Jefferson, 44 Boylston street, last night, the affair being in aid of the coming fair of St. John's Episcopal church. The program was well received, it consisting of musical numbers. The numbers included a selection by Miss Pauline Jefferson; a violin solo by Miss Irene Martin, piano music by Mr. Wilfred Kershaw, a cornet solo by Roswell Jefferson and song by Miss Alice Hutchinson, with violin and piano obligato by Miss Martin and Mr. Kershaw.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 28, 1905. The Committee on Liquor Law will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying Senate bill No. 104) of Eugene C. Webster and others for legislation to divide the city of Boston into districts within which local option in the matter of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors may be exercised; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 550) of Henry L. Dewey for legislation to regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in wards and cities which vote to license such sale at room No. 441 State House, on Friday, March 3rd at 10.30 o'clock a. m. EDWARD C. PAULL, Chairman. THOMAS L. DAVIS, Clerk of the Committee.

Notice is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of Peter Mitchell, late of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to James J. Welch, 73 Glidden Bldg., Lowell, Mass.

JAMES J. WELCH, Executor.
February 21, 1905.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 1, 1905. The Committee on Labor will give a hearing to parties interested in House bill No. 20 on hours of women and minors making textile goods; House bill No. 21 on overtime work of women and minors; House bill No. 316 on payment of textile operatives; House bill No. 347 on employment of women and children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments and Senate bill No. 107 on employment of minors at room No. 249 State House, on Tuesday, March 7th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. SAMUEL ROSS, Chairman. GEO. A. SCHOFIELD, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 2, 1905. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill, No. 147, on registration of certain easements by the Land Court; House bill No. 571, to amend law for punishment for murder in first degree, at room No. 227, State House, on Thursday, March 9th at 10.30 o'clock a. m. CHESTER W. CLARK, Chairman. WILLIAM H. WOODHEAD, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 1, 1905. The Committee on Mercantile Affairs will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying House bill No. 349) of Lucius R. Eastman, Jr., for legislation to require the burying of high voltage electric wires; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 559) of Andrew Johnson for legislation to authorize towns and certain cities to construct, operate and maintain conduits and their connecting structures for electrical wires, cables and conductors; a petition (with accompanying Senate bill No. 157) of Arthur S. Knell and others that the Hampden Electric Company may be incorporated; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 583) of William M. Brigham for legislation to amend the laws relative to the transmission of electricity and the powers of municipalities relative thereto, at room No. 431, State House, on Wednesday, March 8th at 10.30 o'clock a. m. F. M. HEATH, Chairman. GEO. F. THORBURN, Clerk of the Committee.

WANTED

WANTED—Children to board in a good home. Inquire at Sun Office.

CASH PAID for apples, and barrels back at Harvey & Co.'s, 30 Chelmsford st., or at car Thorndike st. R. R. track.

PHYSICAL CULTURE lessons, private or classes for appointments. Address Instructor, Box 536, Lowell.

WANTED—Children to board in country, desirable home; terms reasonable. Address Nelson, R. F. D., Billerica Centre.

MISCELLANEOUS

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office, 355 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

MADAME FORREST the renowned clairvoyant and life reader wishes to announce her arrival in Lowell. All who are in trouble or in want of information can consult her at 177 Middlesex st. up one flight. Card readings 25c. Walk in.

WHITE SEWING MACHINE—Ladies before buying a machine see our ballbearing rotary machine. It is the lightest and fastest and most endurable machine in the market. Second hand machines for sale. 356 Bridge st.

MIRACLE. The great German rust exterminator. Takes the rust off lawn mowers, cutlery. In fact everything, without labor. Once used always used. For sale by all leading hardware houses. Price 25 cents. Hugo Hill, Manufacturer.

MOTHERS—Bent's destroyer kills lice on children and all insects; cures dandruff and itching scalp; prevents falling hair, harmless, 25c only at Falls & Burkinshaw's, 418 Middlesex st.

THE WONDERFUL new drink Gloria gives health and youthful vigor. Boyle Bros. Agents. Telephone.

WE HAVE ALL the Fall Blocks of Hats and are prepared to supply the gentlemen of this city. Stiff hats cleaned free at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex st. The practical hatter.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 200,000 women. Price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 112½ Bridge street. Telephone.

OFFICE OF BOARD OF POLICE

March 1, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that all licenses to use or employ wagons, carts, sleighs or other vehicles in the job or express business, or to sell or expose for sale in a wagon or other vehicle, fish, oysters, clams or lobsters, or to use or employ hackney coaches, cabs, coupes or carriages to convey persons from place to place for hire, will expire March 31, 1905.

Applications for renewal of such licenses should be made at this office not later than noon, March 11, 1905.

By order of Board of Police.

JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

SEVEN BARKS
FOR CONSTIPATION
FOR SALE BY
F. & E. BAILEY & CO. Apothecaries
Cor Merrimack and John Sts.
Lowell, Mass.

C. & S.
WASHING FLUID COMPOUND
Potash, Sal Tartar, Ammonia and Borax.
20c Can will make 2 gallons Fluid
Carter & Sherburne
CUT PRICE DRUGGISTS
Merrimack, Cor. Bridge Street

SPECIAL NOTICES

NOTICE—To the public that Mrs. Hilma Gott, 131 Moore st. has opened an employment office and has a number of girls that would like situations, also girls seeking places to do general housework. Please apply.

OLD TRADING STAMPS—We will exchange any kind at fair value to a Discount Book which is redeemable for $4 cash and is free. Come in and get one. Purchasers' Discount Co., 53 Central st.

MISS J. MONTPLAISIR, Dressmaker, wishes to announce that she has removed to 403 Moody st. Open evenings.

MRS. AGNES ALLEN please call at 378 Adams st., up one flight. A friend here wants to see you. Be sure and call after 6 o'clock p. m.

D. BAKER & CO. wish to announce to their customers that they have moved from 150 Gorham st. to 303 Middlesex st. Rooms papered with gilt paper and border to match including hanging for $2, estimates cheerfully given on painting, whitewashing, etc. First class work guaranteed.

AWNING USERS—Beware of anybody who attempts to represent us without our business card or who claims we are out of business. We are doing business at the same old stand, 209 Dutton street. Cross Awning and Sign Co.

WALL PAPER of good quality and practical man to hang it, $2 per room (discount for quantities.) T. H. Siddeley, 380 Gorham st.

YOU WANT DISHES—We will give you all the dishes you want in your home provided you buy your teas and coffees at our store. Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack st.

MR. EVANGELOS COSTAKIS, a grocer doing business at 63 Cheever street, started in business last October. Besides the Greek trade he has the trade of a large number of the French people, as they like very much the Oriental produce. In little Canada there are over 500 Greeks.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Table girl at 98 John st.

WANTED—A girl about 17 years old to mind two children. Call 14 Webster Ave.

WANTED—Carriage painters. Inquire at Sawyer Carriage Co., Worthen st.

WANTED—A first class general house girl, must be god cook and laundress. Good pay, small family. Mrs. Balch's employment office, 434 Westford st.

WANTED—A good lady or gentleman to introduce our new photo checks at the New Ideal Studio, 115 Merrimack st. Can make $5 per day.

WANTED—At once, an experienced kitchen girl. Thomas Don, 56 Mass. Corp. Opp. Prescott mills.

WANTED—A girl for general housework must be good cook and laundress. Apply 417 Bridge st.

WANTED—Experienced house girl. Apply 8 Washington st.

WANTED—A first class milliner, good salary and long season, a young lady that speaks French preferred. References required. Call at once at E. Robinson's, 163 Essex st., Lawrence, Mass.

WANTED—At once five nappers, experienced hands, good pay, at Chicopee Mfg. Co., Chicopee Falls, Mass.

AGENTS WANTED—Lady agents to represent large importing house in every locality. Good selling specialties. G. E. White & Co., 109-102 Franklin st., Chicago, Ill.

EXPERIENCED makers wanted. Inquire of Miss Rogers, 175 Merrimack st.

ANY intelligent person may earn good income corresponding for newspapers. Experience unnecessary. Send for particulars. Press Syndicate, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED—A second hand portable oven cheap. Payable by instalments. John McIntosh, Baker, Lawrence.

WANTED—Energetic man, each county, to post signs, advertise and distribute samples; salary, $18 weekly, $3 per day for expenses. Honesty and sobriety more essential than experience. National Co., 720 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

WANTED

Frame Spinners, Weavers, Speeder Tenders and Spoolers. GOOD WAGES.

—APPLY TO—

Hamilton Mills,
Amesbury, Mass.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE—On Rogers street, Belvidere, two story, ten room house with bath and pantry and seven thousand feet of land all fenced in. Smith & Cavanaugh, Donovan building, Central st.

BUSINESS CHANCES

THE BEST OPPORTUNITY in existence for the investment of small and large sums of idle money where it will produce a large and steady monthly revenue without risk of loss. Principal back on demand. For full particulars, address W. H. Latimer, 413 Walnut st., Philadelphia, Pa.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Situation in dressmaker's shop. Wilkinson, 88 First st.

AN EXPERIENCED NURSE wishes to go out nursing; confinement cases are a specialty with her. Inquire at 22 Phillips st.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Boston bull, black brindle, stub tail, nine months old. Return to George O. Perrault, 49 French st.

FOUND—A parcel. Owner inquire John Russell, 127 Ford st.

LOST—A pocketbook containing a large sum of money between Carney bank and Pollard's basement. Finder inquire for Miss O'Neil at Bon Marche and receive reward.

LOST—A dollar bill on Church st., between George st. and Post Office Tuesday. Please return to 175 Church st.

LOST—A lady's gold watch with black fob, between Palmer and Merrimack sts. Return to 158 Market st. and receive reward.

LOST—A French bull pup, 15 months old with "bat" ears. Reward at 385 Gorham street.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Three talking machines, little used, for one-third cost price. Old Columbia records exchanged. Brazer & Co., Central cor. Market st.

FOR SALE—A small Galvanic battery in perfect repair at half price, $3. Inquire at Sun Office.

FOR SALE—Wood yard, established 20 years, motor power, wagons, horses; everything one-half price. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Lodging house and grocery store, combined, $250, come and see it. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—16-room lodging house on Merrimack st., $30, 9-room lodging house $110. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Store doing $60 week, 10 room tenement. Here is a bargain, owner sick, $275. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Stock and fixtures of grocery store suitable for woman to keep. Good tenement goes with it, rent cheap. Inquire at this office.

HOUSE LOTS for sale at Wamesit, $10 each, $2 down, 50 cents weekly until paid. Mr. Fogg, Room 22 Hildreth Building.

FOR SALE—3 pool tables, nearly new, tobacco fixtures, lunch fixtures, cash register, coffee tank, show cases, draperies, etc., will sell cheap. 268 French st., flat 1.

FOR SALE—A well established, good paying fancy goods and millinery store for sale cheap. Apply at 117 Essex st., Lawrence.

FOR SALE—A Backus Gas Engine, 3 horse power, none better, has been used but a short time. Inquire at Gumb Bros.' 1258 Gorham st.

FOR SALE—Stamped burlap rug patterns in floral, animal and Turkish designs. Bring this adv. for special discount to 212 Merrimack st., Upstairs.

FOR SALE—In a Massachusetts town of 2500 inhabitants a store, prop. been there 14 years, selling on account of sickness; good stock consisting of dry groceries, men's furnishings, large stock of patent medicines, also tobacco and candy. Directly opposite a large school thereby making large candy trade; 3 minutes walk to B. & M. station, and only 10 miles from Lowell. Must be sold, sold cheap to right party. Call and see at once. F. L. Fletcher, Graniteville, Mass.

WE HAVE FOR SALE the best paying stores in Lowell, just the places for yourself, son or daughter. Do not buy or sell before consulting Gordon, 219 Central st.

FOR SALE—Cheap fuel. Otto Coke; lasts as long as coal and costs less. Stove size, $5.75 per ton; Egg size, $5.50 per ton. We also keep best grades of coal. Mail and telephone orders promptly attended to. Moore & Preston Coal Co. Telephone 1366-2.

MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY TO LOAN to salaried people, your own personal note for security, all business transactions will be strictly confidential. Apply to T. H. Kelley, Broker, Middlesex st.

MONEY LOANED—Overcome your difficulties, our plan of loaning money on salaries is the most liberal to be found anywhere, easy weekly payments. All transactions confidential. Massachusetts Loan Co., Room 22, Hildreth Building.

MONEY LOANED salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters and others, without security, easy payments, offices in 50 leading cities. Tolman, room 48 Hildreth Building, 45 Merrimack st.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security, boarding houses, teamsters, salaried loans a specialty. Best terms obtainable, liberal discount for prompt payments, commission paid. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate Building.

DON'T BE SHORT—Plenty of money to loan to salaried people, merchants, boarding house keepers, teamsters, etc. Easy weekly payments, lowest rates in the city. Confidential; no publicity; no delay. Special inducements for quick payments. Private office. U. S. Loan Co., 90 Prescott st., room 5, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, diamonds, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leihas, room 9, Barristers' Hall.

TO LET

TO LET—Two cottages at Batchelder Place, off Walker st., price $9 and $12. Keys may be found at Mrs. Henry's across street. Wm. A. Read, 228 Liberty st.

TO LET—House of 14 rooms, bath and set tubs, good location for lodgers. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—8-room tenement, Powell st., near Shaw's Hosiery, rent $10. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Flat of 5 rooms and bath, Andover st., rent $15. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Tenements of 4 and 5 rooms, handy to mills and in good repair. Apply to Henry Miller Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Low priced tenements for small families, two rooms with all conveniences for housekeeping, $4.50 per month; three rooms $5.50; five rooms, $6.50; three rooms on the Highlands, $7. All in good locations and newly papered and painted. T. H. ELLIOTT, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Pleasant steam heated room suitable for one or two. Inquire 43 Hurd st.

TO LET—Clean, desirable rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Will let to either ladies or gentlemen. Desirable parties only. E. E. Hunter, 512 Central street.

TO LET OR FOR SALE—90 acre farm, 1-2 in a grass line, two-tenement house, 2 barns, 100 good apple trees, 4 miles from Lowell. Call at 33 Fifth avenue.

TO LET—A suite of rooms heated and first class order, also one single room, open fire place and heated, in the I. O. O. F. Temple, 84 Middlesex st. Inquire of the janitor.

TO LET—Nicely furnished front room bay window, heated, lighted, bath, telephone. 40 Second street.

TO LET—Store 266 Merrimack st. possession given March 1st. Thomas G. Gerrish, 15 Gould Ave., Malden, Mass.

TO LET—Corner Windsor & Westford streets two six room flats all hard wood floors; steam heat, continuous hot water and gas range furnished. All modern conveniences. Apply James H. Walker, 42 Fletcher street. Tel. 911-2.

REMOVAL—Miss Josephine Bonan, dressmaker, formerly at Edson block, Merrimack street, has removed to Central block, 63 Central street. No cards. Everyone welcome. Take elevator. Rooms 82-83. Tel. 1114.

Gilbride's Busy Corner
Gilbride's
MERRIMACK & PALMER STREETS
Gilbride's Busy Corner
LOWELL'S BEST, BRIGHTEST AND BUSIEST STORE

Cloak and Suit Rooms, Primary Spring Display

A Great Sale of
Ribbons
Will Commence This
Friday Morning

The sale will surpass all other sales previously held. We bought a lot of Black and White Ribbons from one of the best ribbon manufacturers in the country at a price which will enable us to give you big values. We'll not be apt to give as great bargains in many a year, so come today.

Double Faced White Satin Ribbon, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD

Double Faced White Satin Ribbon, regular price 33c yard. Sale price .....23c YARD

White Satin Taffeta Ribbon, regular price 25c yard. Sale price.....15c YARD

White Taffeta Ribbon, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD

Fine Heavy Black Taffeta, just the thing for hair bows, regular price 33c. Sale price....23c YARD

Extra Quality Black Taffeta, regular price 23c yard. Sale price.....15c YARD

Black Taffeta, good width, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD

Black Satin Taffeta, No. 100, regular price 37½c yard. Sale price .....29c YARD

We Are Showing New Spring
COVERT JACKETS

The new jackets are "all right." Makers have hit the perfection of shape this spring. The Ideal Covert Jacket is here, you cannot find equal qualities, you cannot find better prices. Come and see.

We have Box Coats in various lengths and a splendid line to make a selection from.

See Merrimack St. Window Display.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS

Individuality is the keynote in the hundreds of suits we have ready for spring, individuality of cloth, of style, of the very buttons—that is what you'll find in even the least expensive of our suits. The fabrics include Panamas, Henriettas, Mohairs, Serges and novelties. Our prices and styles cannot fail to please and satisfy.

See Merrimack St. Window Display.

LACES LACES

This is to be a lace season. Rich laces are here in abundance, the assembly is peerless—you know that or ought to. Many sorts of the latest and loveliest are only here—and at prices that are rare for lowness.

Laces on Display in Merrimack St. Window.

First Come, First Served A Word to the Wise is Sufficient

GILBRIDE'S
The Reliable Corner Store
MERRIMACK AND PALMER STREETS

TRACKS BLOCKED

Train on Pennsylvania Road Wrecked

ALTOONA, Pa., March 2.—A west-bound freight train over the Pennsylvania railroad parted and crashed together at Lilly, Pa., today. Eight cars were wrecked and all tracks were blocked before it could be flagged, the third section of train No. 16, composed of two engines, one baggage car and six pullman sleepers, crashed into the wreckage. Both engines and two sleepers were badly damaged but no one was injured. The train carried inauguration excursionists on their way to Washington. The passengers in the damaged cars were transferred and brought to this city where they were provided with other sleepers and proceeded on their journey.

BASE BALL

The Lynn Independents will expend a part of the $10,000 raised to fight league baseball by appealing to the courts for action against the baseball trust, according to the following information from the Lynn Item:

There is a possibility at present of baseball litigation, in which Lynn will figure as the centre of interest. As things stand at present, the directors of the Lynn Baseball and Amusement association have under consideration legal action to test the validity of the ruling of the baseball leagues for protection of league territory, to the effect that a team that plays with an independent team in territory claimed to be under league control will be marked as an outlaw and suffer accordingly.

The test case appears to be over the Murray Hills, a strong independent club, of New York that plays holidays, Saturday afternoon and Sunday games on its own grounds and from time to time plays with teams of the Connecticut league. The Murray Hills have been signed to play a series of games on the new association circuit that has been formed through the activities of the Lynn association, including Lynn, Brockton, Worcester and Portland, with a chance of Lawrence being added.

Lynn is considered league territory, as it is claimed by the New England league because of location of a franchise here. The presence of the Murray Hill team in Lynn to play with the association team would under the league rule be an act of outlawry, in that it would be an invasion of league territory, and league territory, roughly bounded, is anywhere within five miles of the place where a franchise in either of the major leagues or any of the sanctioned minor leagues have teams.

Manager Leonard of the Lynn Association team has received this week a letter from Manager Strong of the Murray Hills, in which the New Yorker states that he has been informed by President Murnane of the New England league that the Murray Hills must keep out of Lynn and other league territory, or they would be declared outlawed and refused games in the Connecticut league cities or with any of the major league teams or the teams of the Connecticut, Eastern or New England league teams, and the outlaw edict would, of course, extend to players on the Murray Hills, whose chance of getting into bigger company would be cut off because of playing in an outlawed team.

Manager Strong writes that he has consulted with officials of the American and National leagues, and that he has been advised to keep his engagements in New England for a series of games with the independent teams in the association circuit, including Lynn. He also writes that as a baseball man he has never failed to keep engagements made and that he does not propose to depart from that rule now.

Manager Leonard has placed the matter before the directors of the Lynn association, and Starr Parsons is looking into the legal phase of the issue. Meanwhile there is no opportunity for immediate retaliatory action, though, of course, if the Murray Hills play in Lynn with the association team and subsequently find that there is baseball discrimination against the team on that account the ground for legal proceedings will be afforded and taken advantage of. This is one of the interesting features of the local baseball situation.

There is a blind man is New York who is a regular devotee of the game at the Polo grounds—wholly blind. As his companion informs him what is happening his face is so interesting a study in expression as that of any other crank. Another's eyes and his own ears keep him pretty well posted on all that is going on. He can almost tell a base hit from the ring of it, and when a member of the home team is on third and there comes a hit, his face lights up with pleasure. Or if the batter goes out, the audible expression of disappointment of the crowd is reflected on his face.

Base hits and runs cut more figure with Manager Johnny McGraw than signs and omens. Aggressive and assertive as McGraw is, he is not without diplomacy on occasions. Just after a close game one day which his team had lost, McGraw approached the umpire and asked:

"Mr. Umpire, what would happen to me if I should call an umpire an incompetent robber?"

"You would be fined," was the umpire's response.

"And what would happen to me if I merely thought the umpire was an incompetent robber?"

"Why, nothing could be done to you then," replied the umpire.

"Well, let it go at that," said McGraw.

CYCLE NEWS

Poulain, the French bicycle rider, who has recently attained envious prominence through a series of victories, was born on the island of Jersey in 1880, of French parents. He began riding when quite young and later, when his home was moved to St. Nazaire, figured five or six years ago in amateur races in local regions. Last year he went to Paris and attracted the attention of all bicycle enthusiasts by his extraordinary riding prowess. This eventually placed him in the front ranks of professional racers. During the winter he has gained still further prominence by defeating Jacquelin and others who have been bound to acknowledge him their superior. After racing so long on a closed track, such as the Velodrome d'Hiver, in Paris, it will be interesting to follow the meets in the open air when he will compete with racing celebrities of America, who are going over.

"The most travelled road by bicyclists and automobilists, without a doubt, is the road leading from Haarlem to The Hague, Holland," says L. Van Leeuwen of Sassenheim, Holland, in a Milwaukee paper. "Along this road is the famous bulb country, a patch of about 25 miles in length and two in width.

"When in bloom these fields cannot be surpassed in beauty, and no one who has seen them at that time but will go into raptures over the scene. It is estimated that 25,000 bicyclists pass along this road every day and more than 500 automobiles. The queen herself is to be seen almost daily on this road at that season of the year."

Mrs. K. E. Gardner of Columbus avenue, has gone to Washington to remain a few weeks. On her return trip she will visit in New York.

The White Store

114—Merrimack Street—116

"Wholesale Retailing"

The celebrated "Onyx Dye", fleece lined Cotton Hose, double soles, high spliced heels and toes, ribbed or welted tops. Not the ordinary 25c hose, but the 29c and 39c grades, marked 18c,

3 prs. 50c

The famous "L. B." and "Minerva Mills" winter weight fleece lined Vests and Pants, made of the finest combed cotton, handsomely trimmed with silk. Always sell for 50c. Regular and extra sizes, all 38c,

3 for $1.00

SPECIAL

11 to 2 o'clock

Saturday

A discount of 10 per cent. on any $1.00 Petticoat in our store. Over 1000 Petticoats in all styles, colors and materials to select from

Our Regular Saturday Offering in Dependable Muslin Underwear

"CHIC" CORSET COVERS. Dainty nainsook covers, beautifully trimmed with lace and embroidery, in eight exclusive styles, regular 75c value, while they last

50c

"CHIC" DRAWERS—Made of fine Cambric with a heavy blind hamburg ruffle headed with tucks. Nothing as good less than 75c. While they last

50c

BOWLING NEWS

The Wonders, even if they cannot defeat the Connemaras, have demonstrated the fact that they can easily trim the Bowlaway, the followers of Deputy Welch, last night, for the second time, defeating the Bowlaway bowling team. The game was played on the Bowlaway alleys and the score at the end of the third string was 2270 to 2123.

Dave Donaldson put up his usual high string, having a single of 200 and a triple of 494. Houston showed up the best for the defeated team. The score:

BOWLAWAYS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Houston	147	169	152	468
Laurence	125	131	124	380
Whalen	104	110	161	375
Hall	111	188	135	434
Dickey	125	111	140	[illegible]
Totals	632	759	709	2123

WONDERS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Welch	157	120	149	426
Atkinson	162	151	150	463
Burns	127	140	171	438
Donaldson	150	200	144	494
Maher	160	131	158	449
Totals	756	742	772	2270

THE BLIZZARDS WON.

Moors' Blizzards defeated Goodale's Lynos by a score of 749 to 714 on the Bowlaway alleys last night. Cuff of the winning team was high man. The score:

MOORS'S BLIZZARDS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Morris	78	92	85	255
O'Dea	75	82	72	229
Cuff	99	80	85	264
Totals	253	254	242	749

GOODALE'S LYNOS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Ordway	95	97	69	261
Bierce	65	88	74	227
Chase	69	77	80	226
Totals	229	262	223	714

BLIND TIGERS WON.

The Blind Tigers and a team from the Lowell Machine Shop rolled on the Bowlaway alleys last night, the former winning by an even 100 pins. Ashworth of the Tigers was high man. The score:

BLIND TIGERS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Johnston	72	71	90	233
Desmond	72	81	84	237
Tarney	86	87	84	257
McDonald	97	62	87	246
Ashworth	75	82	91	250
Totals	406	413	436	1255

LOWELL MACHINE SHOP.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Whitney	85	81	80	246
Bickford	80	72	71	223
Matherson	84	77	81	238
Sturt	81	71	81	233
Hall	70	74	68	212
Totals	3.6	373	381	1155

PRINT WORKS LEAGUE.

Teams One and Six of the Merrimack Print Works league rolled a game at the Bowlaway alleys last night, the former team winning by a good margin. Harrington was high man. The score:

TEAM 1.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Harrington	93	79	102	274
Rourke	73	97	79	249
MacAdam	92	74	83	249
Granfield	90	75	99	264
Nolen	84	89	93	266
Totals	411	414	447	1302

TEAM 6.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Harrigan	77	77	76	230
McLaughlin	78	97	87	262
Davis	83	87	78	248
McGovran	83	78	83	244
Trimble	83	85	71	239
Totals	404	424	395	1223

EXPRESSMEN BEATEN.

The Topsies defeated the American Express team on the Bowlaway alleys last night by a score of 1257 to 1151. The score:

TOPSIES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Tom Magee	78	79	56	213
J. Lawn	90	75	100	265
John Paxton	74	87	83	244
John Magee	78	108	88	274
Patnaud	84	83	74	241
Totals	[illegible]	432	431	1257

AMERICAN EXPRESS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Howe	81	81	67	229
Martin	69	81	78	228
Cook	74	69	67	[illegible]
Edgell	87	82	94	[illegible]
Collins	90	84	84	258
Totals	398	[illegible]	398	1151

Y. M. C. A. BOXBALL.

In an exciting game of boxball at the Y. M. C. A. last night the Dromedaries defeated the [illegible] of interest. [illegible]

DROMEDARIES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
A. Myrick capt.	158	137	113	[illegible]
H. Macdonald	[illegible]	[illegible]	140	[illegible]
F. L. Ginty	[illegible]	87	117	[illegible]
W. H. Quinlan	150	146	145	421
C. Johnson	[illegible]	112	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

BUFFALOES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
A. B. Hobbs capt.	131	176	142	[illegible]
C. Macdonald	121	111	125	[illegible]
J. Dondero	118	164	135	[illegible]
R. Robitaille	126	127	119	372
A. Early	133	110	121	[illegible]
Totals	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Spares—Ginty 2, Myrick 2, Quinlan 2, Hobbs, Johnson, H. Macdonald.

MAN IMPALED

MAIL WAGON WAS STRUCK BY AN ENGINE.

TAUNTON, March 3.—Joseph W. Smith, the oldest letter carrier in the local service, was dangerously injured at noon yesterday by a train striking the mail wagon in which he was riding, at Horton's crossing, on the Attleboro branch. Mr. Smith was thrown out and impaled on a picket fence beside the road. Both legs were injured and his arms and chest were terribly lacerated. The horse was not injured, but the wagon was demolished. Mr. Smith said he did not hear any whistle or bell when he was about to cross the track. He was conveyed to his home. The physicians cannot say how badly he is injured.

Lowell, Friday, March 3, 1905

A. G. POLLARD & CO.

"The Store for Thrifty People" is more than ever your store during this between-season-time. And you who follow up our bargain announcements as they appear day after day will find that your thrift has been fully repaid. There's a touch of spring in the store news these days.

COME TODAY FOR MEN'S SHOES

The $3 and $3.50 Grades Only

$1.98 a Pair

You've seen the window showing. Seems as though it's the best looking lot of Shoes we've ever offered. ***Patent and Enamel Leather, Vici, Velour, Box Calf, Colt and Kid Skin, made on all the new lasts.*** Button, Lace, Congress or Blucher.

Sale Today in Our Palmer Street Basement

Announcement

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE PRETORIA DIAMOND COMPANY FOR THE EXCLUSIVE SALE OF THEIR GOODS IN THIS CITY. PRETORIA DIAMONDS ARE THE GREATEST DISCOVERY OF THE AGE, BEING FOUND IN THE SAME EARTH OF THE CELEBRATED LARGE 3000 KARAT DIAMOND WHICH WAS MINED JUST RECENTLY IN SOUTH AFRICA. PRETORIA DIAMONDS, ALTHOUGH AN IMITATION, ARE FOUND IN THE SAME EARTH. IT HAS NOT ALL THE QUALITIES OF THE GENUINE DIAMOND, BUT IT WOULD TAKE AN EXPERT TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE. THEY HAVE THE SAME LUSTRE, THE SAME FIRE, THE SAME SPARKLE AND ALMOST AS HARD AS THE GENUINE DIAMOND. AS THEY WILL POSITIVELY STAND HEAT, WATER, ALKALI, ACIDS, ETC. THESE GOODS ARE WARRANTED TO WEAR FOR YEARS AND THE STONES WILL RETAIN THEIR BRILLIANCY FOREVER OR WE WILL REPLACE THEM WITH A NEW ONE FREE OF CHARGE IF THEY PROVE DIFFERENT. THEY ARE MOUNTED IN THE MOST EXQUISITE STYLE AND WORKMANSHIP. WE ASK THE PUBLIC TO CALL AT OUR STORE AND EXAMINE THESE WONDERFUL GOODS AND SEE THE BEAUTIFUL WINDOW DISPLAY OF SEMI-PRECIOUS STONES THAT HAS STARTLED THE WORLD ON THEIR NEAR APPROACH TO THE GENUINE ARTICLE. PRETORIA DIAMONDS ARE BEYOND ANY QUESTION OF DOUBT THE FINEST IMITATION DIAMOND EVER DISCOVERED. AFTER EXAMINING THESE GOODS YOU WILL READILY SEE THAT THEY ARE NOT TO BE CONFOUNDED WITH THE SO-CALLED RHINE STONE JEWELRY FOUND ON BARGAIN COUNTERS. ON SALE ONLY AT

A. G. Pollard & Co.'s
LOWELL, MASS.

Another Bargain Announcement From the

DRAPERY SECTION

Just received from the curtain manufacturers 3000 pairs of Ruffled Muslin Curtains which we're to offer at a third less than regular prices.

25 new styles, plain, figured, spotted or with stripes, tucked or hemstitched, full 2½ yards long, 36 inch body, with full 6 inch ruffle, worth from 98c to $1.50 a pair, only ....75c PAIR

175 pairs Jacquard Figured Muslin Curtains, 45 inches wide, 2½ yards long, worth $1.50 and $2.00, only 98c A PAIR

50 new styles of Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains, with lace edges and insertion to match, worth from $1.50 to $3.00, only ....98c, $1.25, $1.49 and $1.98

New Sateen Lambrequins, worth 98c, only ....49c A PAIR

Mercerized Sateen Lambrequins, 2½ yards long, 1 yard wide, strictly fast colors, heavy knotted fringe, only .... 98c EACH

WEST SECTION—GALLERY.

WASH GOODS DEPARTMENT

For Today and Tomorrow 200 Embroidered Lawn Waist Patterns. Fronts and cuffs elaborately worked and material enough for a waist, regular price $1.25, only....89c EACH

PALMER STREET—CENTRE AISLE.

Special Offer From the Fancy Grocery Section

2000 CANS CELEBRATED JUDGE SALMON

At 15c a Can; Two for 25c

The Celebrated Judge Salmon comes in porcelain jars, sealed, then packed in air-tight tins, the jars insuring perfect freedom from all deleterious effects of the ordinary tin packing. Besides this the salmon is especially selected for the export trade and is of highest grades. We offer these 2000 cans, regular price 20c each, at....15c CAN, 2 CANS FOR 25c

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Dr. White's Famous Cures

For Corns, Bunions and Callouses are here for TWO DAYS ONLY. These last days you may purchase two packages of plaster or foot powder for 25c, usually 15c package. If you've a foot trouble try these cures.

TOILET GOODS—WEST SECTION.

TEA AND COFFEE

SPECIAL FOR THESE TWO DAYS—

1 pound Coffee, ½ pound Formosa Tea, 1 bottle Catsup, 5 pounds Sugar, FOR 75c

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

M. and D. Bargains in Our Under Price Basement

The Most Economical Shopping Place in New England

Curtain Muslins, 40 inches wide, M. and D.'s price 12½c, only ....8c a Yard

Table Oil Cloth, 45 inches wide, all new patterns, only ....12½c a Yard

Large Size Turkish Towels, M. and D.'s price 25c, only .... 17c Each

Heavy Twill Domet Flannel, M. and D.'s price 10c, only....5c a Yard

Apron Gingham in a big assortment...3½c a Yard

Outing Flannels, M. and D.'s price 8c and 10c, only ....5c a Yard

Flannelette Shirt Waists, all this season's, 50c grade, only ....35c Each

Flannel Waists, all colors and sizes, worth $1.00 and $1.50, only....59c Each

Ladies' Wool and Cashmere Hose, black and grey, M. and D.'s price 25c, only....15c a Pair

Ladies' Heavy Fleeced Hose, M. and D.'s price 10c and 12½c ....8c a Pair

Ladies' Hose, drop stitch pattern, M. and D.'s price 25c, only....17c a Pair

Misses' Fleeced Underwear, heavy quality, M. and D.'s price 25c, only....15c a Pair

Boys' Heavy Cotton Hose, first quality, M. and D.'s price 12½c and 15c a pair, only..10c a Pair

Dress Steels ....3c a Dozen

Duplex Hose Supporters, M. and D.'s price 15c, only ....9c a Pair

Clark's Knitting Cotton, white and colors, 3 Spools for 10c

PALMER STREET—BASEMENT.

THE BELL

ON THE SQUARE

31 TO 41 MERRIMACK ST.
LOWELL, MASS.

Saturday, March 4

Positively the Last Day of the Great Mark Down Clearance Sale

Men's Suits, Overcoats and Pants

Ladies' Furs, Coats and Suits

Children's Clothing

Women's and Men's Shoes and Rubbers

Men's Furnishings

This Grand Wind Up Day Will Afford the Greatest Bargains on Earth

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BELL SHOE AND CLOTHING COMPANY

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THE LOWELL SUN

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JOHN H. HARRINGTON, PROPRIETOR.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1904, was

14,539

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 2, 1905.

JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE-THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

THE SUN'S PLATFORM

FOR THE GOOD OF LOWELL

1. ADOPT a new charter giving the mayor full power to appoint and remove at will, the heads of all city departments and members of all boards or commissions.

2. ABOLISH the common council and provide for a single legislative board of 27 aldermen, three from each ward.

3.—CREATE public boards to have charge of streets, buildings, police, fire, pauper and water departments.

4. ANNEX portions of Dracut and Tewksbury, including the "Navy Yard" and the Andover road as far as the Hood farm.

5. ABOLISH the Merrimack street station and the grade crossings at Market, Thorndike and Middlesex streets and extend the northern station to Thorndike street.

6. BUILD a public hall and market on the White lot in Merrimack Square.

Lowell may soon be able to boast of a cotton mill of which all the officers are Lowell men.

Renovated butter is in demand in Lowell because genuine butter is so high priced that a great many people are unable to buy it.

Supt. Moffatt is the apostle of the finger print system of detecting criminals. The burglars and pickpockets have taken to wearing gloves.

How will the scheme to erect an international monument to Shakespeare strike the followers of the cipher critics who figured out that Bacon wrote Shakespeare's plays?

The Lowell cemetery will soon have two new features that it will be worth going to see, the first the new gate and second the monument to Louisa M. Wells, a mill girl of the days of Lucy Larcom.

The decent men of the board of overseers of the poor have the sympathy of their friends. They are blamed for the defects of the system and for the long established laxity in the methods of doing business.

THE BILL TO ABOLISH THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The bill now before the legislature for the abolition of the overseers of the poor provides for the submission of the measure to the voters of Lowell at the next city election. By that time the overseers and their friends may be able to work up a sentiment sufficient to defeat the measure and put off the abolition of the board for an indefinite period. There is no accounting for what the political machine will do.

The defects in the city charter are still in force because a radical revision of the charter was defeated at the polls. For this reason we believe that an amendment should be made to the bill, providing that the board be abolished with the approval of the city council. That would bring about the desired change at once. Of course if there was any question about the advisability of the measure we would favor the submission of the bill at the polls. As the measure is so palpably just and so plainly for the benefit of the poor and the city at large it should not be subject to the chances of defeat made possible by a crusade by political grafters through the machine while the decent citizens who suppose the matter will be approved simply go to the polls and vote for the bill.

This is a case in which it is absolutely safe to depart from what is properly made a general rule, that all charter changes should be referred to the people before being put into force. Necessity justifies the exception in case of the overseers of the poor.

CHICAGO ELECTION OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE.

There is an important contest on at Chicago, one in which the principle of municipal ownership as well as of democracy is to be fought out. It is to be decided at the city election next month when the people will elect for mayor either John Maynard Harland, the republican candidate, or Judge Edward F. Dunne, the candidate of the democracy.

Mr. Harland, a few years ago, was a leader of the radicals, but he has since thrown his entire influence into the hands of the traction interests and franchise grabbers who have attained great power in Chicago.

Judge Dunne, on the other hand, is one of the ablest jurists in Illinois, and he has entered the mayoralty contest only after almost irresistible pressure was brought to bear upon him. But having consented to be a candidate, he has declared for public ownership, and upon that issue the contest will be fought to a finish.

It will, therefore, be apparent that the election is of more than local interest, inasmuch as the same question will sooner or later come to every city. Speaking of the issue Judge Dunne says:

"I cannot, therefore, contemplate with stolid indifference the policy, now virtually confessed, of overriding the expressed will of the people and granting to J. Pierpont Morgan of New York, and the coterie of capitalists associated with him the exclusive right to use our streets for traction purposes for 20 years yet to come, if not indefinitely thereafter. This right is worth $200,000,000. The Morgan syndicate has already paid $25,000,000 for not a great deal more than the mere possibility of securing it from our city government. To such a policy I am opposed.

"The traction question can be settled without giving to a Wall street syndicate franchises to be capitalized at many millions of dollars, which must be paid for by the people of Chicago before the city can establish municipal ownership of its street railways. It can be settled without depending upon contracts for good service, which have heretofore been delusive. It can be settled by proceeding immediately, as the people themselves have already demanded, to establish municipal ownership without dilatory compromises with stock-jobbing corporations. No further street franchises for corporate manipulatation and profit ought or need be made."

Judging from this brief statement of Judge Dunne's policy it would appear that unless the people of Chicago are willing to vote against their own interests, to vote away their own rights, they have no alternative but to elect Judge Dunne in spite of the republican majority that is expected to stand by the party nominee. Judge Dunne is doing in Chicago what Tom L. Johnson is doing in Cleveland and what many other able men are doing in various parts of the country and what must be done when any attempt is made to capture the public rights and hold them for the oppression of the people to which they originally belonged.

SEEN AND HEARD

The sleighing is good, bad and indifferent and so is the wheeling.

This is the season of the year when the small boy's mind turns to marbles.

If the snow that extends the length and breadth of the water shed should take a notion to slide into the Merrimack river in a hurry there would happen the thing that spells "freshet."

Here are a few samples of the funny signs that the observant one sees in Lowell: "Shoes blacked inside." "Frog in your throat ten cents." "Wait for the fire sale." "Don't go elsewhere to be cheated, trade here." "Visit our store before purchasing elsewhere."

"Haven't you felt that way?" is a question asked by Maurice Smiley in Collier's Weekly and here's the way Maurice asks the question:

Haven't you often worn goggles of blue,
And seeing life's sham and its shame,
Felt it was all a big scramble, and you
Might as well get into the game?
That nothing much mattered but a big bunch of cash,
And the man who was good was a jay,
And the whole blooming country was going to smash;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

Haven't you felt is was hardly worth while
To try to live up to your best?
And haven't you smiled a cynical smile—
And something way down in your breast
Whispered that life had a prize that was higher than gold
And sweeter than fame or display?
And the faith that had slipped took a brand new hold;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

And didn't a peace come near that was far
And urge you to strive toward it still?
And didn't you turn your face to a star,
And didn't you say: "I will!"
And weren't you stronger, and didn't you find
The world was better, and didn't it pay
To be brave and patient and cheery and kind;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

If a certain little dog in this town had as much sense as a green goose he would not be going about with a badly scratched nos . The scratches were self-inflicted and bear painful testimony to the little fellow's desire to bury a piece of meat for future reference. Some good-hearted man in the employ of the Lowell Packing & Provision company gave the little dog a great big piece of meat and after he ate all that his little stomach would hold he looked for a hiding place for what was left. Thinking, perhaps, that the meat would be safer in the shadow of the police station, he carried it across the street and dropped it near the curbing at the police station. He tried to scratch a hole in the hard snow with his little paws. He didn't make very good headway, however, and he decided to see what he could do with his nose. He poked at the hard surface for about five minutes and when he got through his nose was bleeding from a series of scratches and the hole was not yet dug. He gave up in despair, took one fond glance at the meat and went away.

Charlie Morse's new snow plow operated in Varnum street a few days ago and the men who had shoveled pretty paths around and about their premises were so vexed that they swore in seven different languages. The snow plow threw the snow on the sidewalks and made great banks in places where the shovelers had made great wide paths. Some of the abutters thought the city men would clear out the paths they choked up but they soon found that they were not thinking along the right line. It cost one fellow a whole case of beer to have his paths shoveled. He told the men if they would shovel out the paths that they might go down cellar and help themselves to his beer. He reckoned that they would drink about six bottles. He was feeling thirsty when he arrived home in the evening and he went down cellar to get a bottle of beer and he found everything as empty as Mother Hubbard's cupboard.

Many amusing letters are received by theatrical managers, but Manager Al Haynes of the Casto received the appended letter Monday from a young lady of Laconia, N. H., who evidently has a yearning for stage honors:

Laconia, N. H., Feb. 24, 1905.

Dear Sir:—I am writing you a few line by asking you that would you like to have a skirt dance in your theatre. I am a first class skirt dance I dance for manny years, if you wish to have one please answer at once and let me know and I will go I can dance for two week stand I dance in two different way so please answer at once and let me know when you would like me to go so I won't make anny ingagement for that time and tell me what is your salary and please answer at once and let me know if you wish to have a skirt dance or not and if you wish to have my photos I will send you one, and please answer at once.

Yours truly,
——.

The 1905 edition of "In The Maine Woods" is out and the publication is one of the neatest and most attractive that has reached this office for many moons. It contains 192 pages, ordinary magazine size, and the illustration on the front cover is in four colors and represents a huntsman on his way to camp; a man and woman, hunters, too, preparing to launch a canoe in a sheet of water where the eye can trace the shadow of the trees below the surface. The publication is replete with stories and pictures of the forest and stream, and contains a great deal of useful information. The book was written and arranged by Fred H. Clifford of Bangor, Me., and it represents the push and enterprise of the Bangor & Aroostook R. R.

SEVERAL VERDICTS

ONE FOR $270 AGAINST BOSTON & NORTHERN ROAD.

BOSTON, March 3—A jury in the fourth session of the superior court yesterday disagreed in the case of Morris Goodman vs. the Boston elevated railway company. Plaintiff was injured Aug. 9, 1902, in a collision between a car and his horse and carriage on Canal street. He sued for $10,000.

In the second session before Judge Bond a jury returned a verdict of $270 for the plaintiff in the case of Frank J. McHarron vs. Charles H. Fox et al, expressman. Plaintiff sued for $10,000 damages for injuries received by being struck by a ladder that projected from a wagon of the defendant's while it was turning the corner of Washington and Newton sts., June 3, 1903. The plaintiff was on the sidewalk and was struck on the head by the ladder.

A jury in the first session before Judge Harris, by agreement of parties, found for the defendant in the case of Bentley Thornton vs. the Newton & Boston street railway company. Plaintiff was injured by the sudden starting of a car, March 16, 1903.

Judge Hardy in the fifth session directed a verdict for the defendant in the case of William D. Baker vs. C. E. Osgood company, which was an action for damages for an alleged breach of a contract.

In the case of Agnes E. Marion vs. Charles S. Burke, a jury in the sixth session before Judge Bell returned a verdict of $110 for the plaintiff. The action was to recover $100 paid as a deposit on the proposed renting of a house at Hull.

A verdict of $300 for the plaintiff was returned by a jury in the same session in the suit brought by Margaret M. McKarron vs. the Boston & Northern street railway company, which was an action to recover $50,000 for injuries received while alighting from a car at the corner of Everett av. and Broadway, Chelsea.

In the case of Annie A. Dooling vs. the Boston elevated railway company a jury in the first session before Judge Harris returned a verdict of $175 for the plaintiff, who was injured by the sudden starting of a car in 1903.

SUPREME COURT

HANDS DOWN A DECISION AGAINST BOXING.

BOSTON, March 3.—The supreme court yesterday rendered a decision against the Tammany Social and Athletic club, which will affect nearly every Massachusetts boxing club now running, since they are promoted on a plan analogous to that upon which the Tammany Social and Athletic club in Whittier street, Roxbury, was conducted, and which the court holds is amenable to the statute prescribing a penalty for public boxing exhibitions.

The court holds that the bouts conducted by the club named, to which everybody was admitted upon fulfilling the requirement of a by-law of applying for membership in the club, were public exhibitions within the meaning of the revised laws, chap. 207, sec. 12, making it an offence for anyone to set up or promote such an exhibition for which the contestants have been promised or receive any reward.

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BALFOUR LOSING

Government Party is Badly Worried

LONDON, March 3.—The government's embarrassments are thickening daily. Mr. Chamberlain evidently takes Mr. Balfour's attempt to change the issue from fiscalities to home rule as "lying down," and the result is seen partly in the reduction of the government's majority yesterday and still more in some behind-the-scenes correspondence published this morning arising as follows:

At the beginning of the session Lord Stanley, free trader, and Mr. Fellows, M. P., both members of the government, promised to go to King's Lynn to speak for Thomas Gibson Bowles, another free trader conservative.

Their promise was confirmed by Sir Alexander Acland-Hood and was repeated as late as Feb. 27, but suddenly the engagements were cancelled.

Lord Stanley wrote to Mr. Bowles apologizing for an apparent breach of faith, stating that, owing to pressure of his colleagues, he and Mr. Fellows would be unable to fulfill the engagement.

A long correspondence between the parties concerned, which Mr. Bowles has given the papers today, followed, in which Lord Stanley and Acland-Hood pretend that Mr. Bowles was left in the lurch on account of his well-known tendency to criticise the government; but it is generally understood that Mr. Chamberlain, irritated at Mr. Balfour's attitude toward Lord Hugh Cecil, threatened to revolt if Lord Stanley and Mr. Fellowes were permitted to publicly support the free trade movement.

Mr. Chamberlain himself and many Chamberlainites were absent from the house without having paired off last night and the lax attendance on the first day of the session's real business has an ominous aspect for the government.

The session also was the occasion for unseemly scenes and acrimony between the front bench and the opposition leaders.

Meanwhile the cabinet vacancies still are unfilled and the belief is deepening that Ireland has proved a check to Mr. Wyndham's brilliant career.

The Ulster unionists display an undiminished determination to defeat Sir Anthony MacDonnell's policy. They have left London for Belfast to attend a big Orange demonstration in denunciation of Lord Dunraven's devolution scheme.

War Sec. Arnold-Foster, in a letter regretting his inability to attend the demonstration, says he considers the time one of great difficulty and danger.

JIMMY BURKE

WAS DEFEATED BY YOUNG DONAHUE OF ROXBURY.

LAWRENCE, March 3—Jimmy Burke of Lawrence was defeated last night by Young Donahue of Roxbury before the Unity cycle, social and athletic club by a referee's decision at the end of 12 rounds.

The bout throughout was a very tame affair. Donahue was clever, but his style of boxing did not take with the crowd because of his always going to a clinch. Burke always depended on a right or left swing for the jaw to beat his man, but Donahue evaded all his attempts. Burke showed no signs of punishment. It was a disappointing bout throughout. Patsey Haley of Dover was the referee.

Young Raymond of Nashua won over Young Sullivan of Lawrence at the end of five rounds. Patsey McKenna of Boston lost to Young Chisholm in eight rounds.

The best bout of the evening was between Billy Keefe of Lawrence and John A. Sullivan of Magnolia, the former winning in eight rounds. There were 400 spectators present.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Court Wamesit, F. of A. was held last night in Foresters hall. There were two propositions brought in while three new members were initiated. Chief Ranger William A. Kelley announced that at the next meeting of the court delegates to the coming convention would be elected and a smoke talk held. T. J. Garvey, John E. Maguire, T. J. McDermott and Chief Ranger Wm. A. Kelley, explained to the members about the efforts of William Stafford in the work of getting up a monthly paper for the interests of Forestry.

The hall committee will hold drawing April 28. The prizes are as follows: $15 in gold, lady's dress pattern, $12, barrel of flour, ton of coal, pair of shoes, silk umbrella.

Fraternal Order of Eagles of this city met in regular session last night. Action was taken on the death of the late Frank Carey and a committee was appointed to adopt resolutions and the charter was also ordered to be draped in mourning for one month. The aerie also arose and stood in silence for five minutes as a token of respect.

The aerie held initiation exercises and obligated 25 members into the order. Visiting brothers were present from Bangor, Seattle, Wash., and Boston. The aerie voted to hold a memorial day on the first Sunday of May, exercises to be held at the graves of departed members and also to hold exercises in the evening. Fifteen propositions for membership were received.

The regular meeting of Eirene lodge, I. O. G. T., was held last night in Pilgrim hall. After the business had been transacted the lodge was open to the public for an entertainment. Among the speakers were Mr. Markham, who gave the address of welcome, Mrs. Santeson, Mr. Trow and Mr. Zell. After the entertainment refreshments were served by the ladies of the lodge, which was largely attended, many being present from North Billerica lodge.

The prize winners in the whist contest held by Lowell council No. 8, Royal Arcanum last night were: First C. O. S. Wheeler, serving tray; second, C. C. Durstoff, umbrella; 3d, S. J. Owens link cuff buttons.

Highland council, Royal Arcanum, had a ladies' night of whist last evening. The men's prizes were won as follows:

First, George R. Mansfield; second, J. F. Robarge; third, Charles Dodge. The prizes for the women: First, Mrs. H. Robarge; second, Mrs. M. R. Smith; third, Mrs. F. E. Adams.

Grand Regent Merritt S. Foye of Lynn made an address during the evening.

Concord lodge, No. 6, A. O. F. H., held its regular meeting in Post 185 hall last evening. After the meeting a whist party was held, in charge of Mrs. Josephine Lee. Prizes were won as follows: First lady's, J. Galley; second lady's, Miss Hollis; third lady's, Miss Myers; first gentleman's, M. L. Donnelly; second gentleman's, L. K. Leach; third gentleman's, E. Thompson.

James A. Garfield Relief corps, auxiliary to Post 120, G. A. R., met in regular session last night and went through the regular routine of business. The corps will hold a food sale at the residence of Mrs. Parker, 20 Grove street, Friday, March 10, at 4.30 o'clock.

EVERLAUGH CLUB SOCIABLE.

The Everlaugh club held a well attended sociable and dance at Prescott hall last night. There were about 150 couples in attendance and dancing was enjoyed until midnight, music being furnished by the Middlesex orchestra.

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VETERAN'S TAX BILL DEFEATED IN SENATE

Suffolk County Bills Under Discussion

BOSTON, March 3—The legislative committee on agriculture at the state house has decided to report a bill to provide for suppressing gypsy and brown-tail moths, and the report is expected to be made today. The bill will practically follow closely the lines of the last draft submitted to the committee by Hon. George R. Jones of Melrose, head of the suppression league.

The bill will call for the appointment by the governor of a commission of three citizens to be known as the commission for suppressing gypsy and brown-tail moths, the compensation of these commissioners to be fixed by the governor and council.

The work is to be done in the first instance by the cities and towns, under the direction of the commission, and the commission is given full power to urge on any unwilling municipality.

The bill carries with it a state appropriation of $600,000, to be expended in a period of four years.

The drafters of the bill submitted to the committee asked for this amount for three years.

The understanding is that the bill will be reported without a dissenter. It will then go to the committee on ways and means.

IN THE HOUSE

DISCUSSION OF SUFFOLK COUNTY SALARY BILLS.

BOSTON, March 3—The lower branch of the state legislature, with Representative Ward of Buckland presiding in the absence of Speaker Frothingham, had another time-limit session yesterday afternoon. The greater part of the afternoon was given up to discussion of certain Suffolk county salary bills.

The committee on public service reported a bill which provides that "an age and schooling certificate shall not be aproved unless satisfactory evidence is furnished by a certificate of birth or baptism of the minor that the minor is of the age stated in the certificate." The act is to take effect July 1, next.

Mr. Hickey of Boston opposed passing the bill to increase by $200 salaries of the court officers of the municipal court for criminal business in the city of Boston, on the ground that there was no good reason for the increase.

Mr. Power of Boston tok the ground that the officers were adequately paid and that the bill would be an additional burden upon the city of Boston.

The bill was passed to be engrossed by a rising vote, 137 to 6.

Mr. Brigham of Marlboro moved to substitute for the adverse report of the committee on public service, a bill to make the salary of the assistant clerk of the Suffolk superior court $500, instead of $300.

Mr. Elsner of Pittsfield admitted the value and ability of the clerk in question, but said the committee believed him to be amply paid. He alluded to the political campaign for chief clerk last fall and intimated that politics had entered into this measure.

The bill was submitted and referred to the committee on counties.

Mr. Davis of Salem moved to substitute for the adverse report of the committee on taxation his bill to provide an excise tax of 1 per cent. of the gross receipts of public service corporations, when such corporations have paid a dividend of 6 per cent. Mr. Davis said that the provisions of the bill had in one form or another been adopted by four of the states. Last year the committee on taxation reported the bill with but one dissenter, while this year the committee has reported unanimously against it. Mr. Davis argued that the public should receive some reasonable return for the use of the streets and highways by corporations.

Mr. Peabody of Cambridge in opposition said the bill was entirely at variance with the state's policy of corporation taxation and would bring injustice upon holders of stock which was already taxed. He claimed the bill would mean double taxation.

The substitute was rejected, 17 to 59, and the adverse report of the committee was accepted.

The committee on public charitable institutions reported the bill taken from the files of last year for the establishment of a Massachusetts hospital for consumptives for the treatment of patients in advanced stages. Referred to ways and means.

Once more the Greater Boston idea of Ex-Representative M. C. Cook goes to "the next general court." The metropolitan affairs committee so reported yesterday.

Leave to withdraw was reported by the committee on public charitable institutions on the petition for a state appropriation of $10,000 for Carney hospital.

THE TAX BILL

STATE SENATE DEFEATS PLAN TO EXEMPT VETERANS' PROPERTY.

BOSTON, March 3—The state senate yesterday afternoon rejected after a brief debate the house bill relative to the exemption from taxation of property to the value of $2000 of veterans of the civil war.

The exemption under the present law extends to those veterans suffering physical disability through injuries sustained in the service. The bill before the senate extended that exemption to veterans physically incapacitated from any cause except "through their own vicious" habits."

The committee on taxation reported against this measure originally, but Mr. Weeks of Everett had it substituted in the lower branch.

Yesterday Senator Reed of Bristol defended the measure and contended that it was along the lines of the national policy. Senator Peters of Suffolk, chairman of taxation, strongly opposed the measure as unwarranted and unsought by the veterans themselves. No one else spoke and the bill was rejected on a voice vote.

Without division or debate the senate accepted the report of the committee on military affairs, reference to the next general court, on the bill to extend to veterans of the Spanish war the exemption applicable under civil service laws to veterans of the civil war.

INNOCENT MAN

Hanged for Crime Committed by His Brother

WASHINGTON, Penn., March 3.—"My God, that's my brother. He never killed that woman. I am the murderer. I should have been hung instead of Eugene," cried Adolph J. Bloch yesterday in a frenzy of remorse, interrupting a companion at the steel mill in Canonsburg, who was reading to him an account of the hanging of Eugene Bloch at Allentown, Tuesday.

He is now in the Washington county jail awaiting a hearing on the charge of murder to which he has confessed and for which his innocent brother has been executed.

He is a German Jew, 26 years of age, and formerly lived in Philadelphia. His brother was hanged for the alleged murder of Mrs. Kate Falsinger on Aug. 6, 1903. Adolph Bloch declared to the authorities yesterday, after the item had been read to him that he himself killed Mrs. Falsinger and that the brother who had been hanged was guiltless. Bloch is a mill worker, reads the newspapers but little and says he knew nothing of the trial, conviction and execution of his brother until yesterday.

The murder of Mrs. Falsinger was a brutal one. Her throat was cut and her dead body was found hours after the crime. Eugene Bloch was arrested. He claimed that Mrs. Falsinger had been attacked by a stranger and that he was trying to defend the woman when she was killed. Adolph Bloch says his brother knew him to be guilty and suffered death rather than betray him.

When taken to the jail here last night, Bloch was in a state of collapse. He gave out a statement in which he acknowledged his guilt and expressed the hope that no mercy would be shown him for the terrible crime he had committed. The Allentown officials, when communicated with last evening by long distance telephone, said it was impossible that an innocent man should have been hanged for the Falsinger murder.

Later last night Bloch recovered his nerve to some degree and declared to the officials that the whole story was a joke. Later, however, he repudiated this and reiterated his guilt.

HIGH STREET CHURCH

GAVE AN EXTRA ANNUAL SUPPER AT VESTRY.

The regular annual supper of the High Street church was held on a night when the tempest roared and vagrant snow flakes filled the air. Owing to the roughness of atmospherical conditions the annual supper was sparsely attended and in order to give those who had to remain at home on that night, a chance, a second supper was held last evening. The all important purpose of the meeting, however, was to raise enough money on pledges to run the church for the ensuing year.

The supper was served under the auspices of the Men's club of the church. The tables were prettily decorated and there was, beside other things, fish chowder like mother used to make. The Adams orchestra of Chelmsford furnished music and Herbert F. Whipple sang a tenor solo. The chart system of collecting money, the same as was used last year, was used last night to good advantage.

AGAINST TRUSTS

KANSAS SENATE PASSED A BILL.

TOPEKA, Kas., March 3.—The Kansas senate yesterday unanimously passed Senator Nofzinger's bill to prevent the operation of trusts within Kansas. The measure is patterned after the Kansas law. It provides a fine of $20,000 for each attempt to stifle competition in any business. Provision is made for the expulsion from Kansas of any firm that may persist in violating the law.

NORTH BILLERICA

A class initiation was held in Union hall, North Billerica, last night under the auspices of Asa Pollard lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U. The degree was conferred by the degree team of Excelsior lodge of Lowell, District Deputy George Emsley chief of staff. The affair proved to be one of the most interesting events in the history of the lodge.

In addition to a large number of the members of the local lodge there were many visiting officers and members. The rallying committee in charge of the affair consisted of chairman, Walter Radcliffe; Johnathan Williams, Oscar Spencer, John Hawkyard, William McBride and Jethro Switzer.

Cora, youngest daughter of Postmaster Charles Maxwell, is suffering from diphtheria.

Letters remain unclaimed at the North Billerica postoffice for the following:

Dennis Hayes, Mrs. Septha Burgess (2), Bernard Callahan, Mrs. Sarah H. Heywood and George Donovan.

The regular weekly whist tournament being conducted by the Father Mathew Total Abstinence society was held last evening. There was a good sized crowd present and seven tables were used during the evening.

After two hours' play it was found that two players, Martin Shalloo and George Dyson, were tied for first prize with 59 points each. On the cut off to determine a winner, Mr. Dyson won. The prizes were, first, briar wood pipe; second, pen knife.

LOLLY POPS AT CASTO.

Mr. Haynes always makes special efforts for thee hildren's amusement, and Saturday's program is brimful of acts which will please them all. Sydney Deane and company will present their scenic novelty entitled "Christmas Day on Blackwell's Island"; Rice and Elmer, the funny "rube" and the Chinaman, will offer a comedy bar act; Dudley and Chesly will sing popular songs; Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe will appear in their colonial musical act; West and Williams, who will have a new budget of stories for the little folks; Marlow, Plunkett and company in "A Lesson in Shapespeare;" Katherine Nugent will present her clever imitations of popular stage favorites; and the biograph will show all new moving pictures, including the latest success, "Baby's Day". To every patron Manager Haynes will present free a lolly pop. Reserved seats can be ordered by telephone, 815-3.

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BRISTLE BRUSHES, 25c—For dust pans, black bristles and solid backs, regular price 39c.

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DRY MOPS, 29c—Full size, best quality, regular price 39c.

CARPET SWEEPERS, $1.39—"National" make, rubber tires and band, regular price $1.98.

HEAVY DINNER PAILS, 29c—Polished, with shut-over covers and cup, regular price 39c and 49c.

HARD WOOD TOOTH PICKS, 5 BOXES 10c—Regular price 5c box.

FLOOR BRUSHES, 49c—Large full brush with polished handles, regular price 89c.

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IVES FAMILY SOAP, 12 BARS 25c.

UNIVERSAL WRINGERS, $2.19—Made by American Wringer Co., full size, rubber rolls, warranted for three years, heavy frame, regular price $2.98.

WILLOW HAMPER, 98c—Heavy, with cover and braided edge, regular price $1.29.

HEAVY DISH PANS, 25c—14 quart size, deep and retinned, regular price 39c.

GALVANIZED IRON WASH TUBS, 49c—Large sizes, with wringer attachment, regular price 89c and 98c.

U. S. MAIL SOAP, 10 BARS 25c.

HEAVY STEEL FRY PANS, 19c—Polished, with cold handle, regular price 25c and 35c.

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4 QT. TEA KETTLES, $1.59—Cover to match, heavy ball, cold handle.

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Adamantine Pins, worth 2c.....1c PAPER
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The above goods for Friday and Saturday only at prices quoted in this advertisement.

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STUDENTS' BATTLE

Serious Clash Between Boston University Men

BOSTON, March 3.—No company of "barnstormers" were ever harassed with more difficulties than have been the members of the freshman class at Boston university, who are scheduled to present a play at Sleeper hall this afternoon.

The sophomore class of the same university has kept the freshmen on the jump to protect the embryonic actors from being kidnapped, and now the show will have to be put on minus some of the scenery, because last evening, after a hot fight in the university building, the sophomores carried away a part of it.

The sophomores had more to do last evening than simply to walk into the building, pick up the scenery and walk out again, for when they got in they found a brawny bunch of sweater-clad "freshies" waiting for them. When they went out they carried some black eyes and bruises along with the scenery and they left behind one student with a sprained ankle and another stretched out unconscious. It required the services of a physician to bring the latter to himself, and this was not accomplished for about 15 minutes, until the students were thoroughly frightened lest his injuries might result seriously.

The trouble is the outcome of the usual class feeling between the freshmen and sophs of the liberal arts department of the university. It has become customary for the sophs to try to prevent the freshmen from presenting their annual play, and this year they undertook to kidnap those playing the leading roles.

Yesterday afternoon the sophs succeeded in capturing James L. Greenan, one of the most prominent of the freshman class, but interference on the part of Dean Warren caused his subsequent release.

After his release the sophs threatened to capture the whole cast and about 10 o'clock last night they started operations.

The sophs gathered under the state house about 9.45 and then started for Jacob Sleeper hall, where it was known a number of the cast were acting as guards to the scenery to be used in their play.

The building was securely locked at the time, but someone with an iron bar pried open a window in Dean Warren's private room and succeeded in opening the window for enough to get in.

When one of the sophs started to climb in a rope was thrown about his head. Some of his companions rushed up and seized the rope and tried to pull the freshman out of the window.

Meanwhile other sophs climbed in and began a desperate fight for the mastery of the room.

Most of the freshmen were up stairs at the time, and the sophs gained the floor.

For half an hour the classes fought back and forth over the floors of the lower halls.

The floors were spattered with blood from bloody noses; black eyes were passed round right and left.

F. McKea, a freshman, was knocked into a corner, and later was found to have a sprained ankle. James Briar was knocked completely out and was trampled upon by the fighting mob.

POLICE AND DOCTORS CALLED.

Someone slipped away from the fight and telephoned for the police and for ambulances. Sergeant Dobbyns and Patrolman Minor of division 2, and Sergeant Goodwin and Patrolman Fay of division 3 were despatched, and they took charge of the building.

Drs. Cilley and H. E. Mace of Beacon street were called in to attend the injured.

When the police and doctors entered three of the men were laid out on the floor. One was not revived for 15 minutes, and the police were informed that an attempt had been made to drug him.

The greater number of the sophs were outside the building.

The man with the sprained ankle was hustled home in a hack.

At the direction of the freshman guards, an attempt was made to clean the marble floors of the blood stains.

Chesley Toy, whom the sophs had succeeded in capturing, was found in the cellar gagged, but before the police could get hold of him he was released.

Frank Volpe was badly trampled upon.

Until midnight the place was under police guard, the sophs still lingering in the street and the freshmen still remaining to guard their property.

POST OFFICE BILL

CONFEREES HAVE REACHED AN AGREEMENT.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—A complete agreement was reached in conference yesterday on the post office appropriation bill. The principal amendment was an addition of $300,000 by the senate to the $500,000 to the appropriation of the house for pneumatic tube service and a provision for the extension of the service.

LAMP OVERTURNED

WOMAN WAS BADLY BURNED IN CLUB HOUSE.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—In a fire which destroyed one of the Squantum club's outbuildings last evening, Miss Katherine Riley, aged 20 years, who was employed as a cook by the club, received terrible burns about the face, hands and feet. The fire was caused by the overturning of a lamp. The loss will amount to about $1500, covered by insurance.

REV. MR. MATTHEWS

RE-ELECTED PASTOR OF HIS CHURCH.

At the annual meeting for the choice of a pastor, held at the Gorham Street Methodist church, last night, the present pastor, Rev. N. W. Matthews, received a unanimous call for first choice. Rev. S. T. Nichols of Philadelphia was second choice and the third was Rev. J. T. Barlow of Mount Carmel, Pa. It is hoped and believed that Mr. Matthews will accept the call to remain. The church has prospered under his administration and the last year has been the most successful in its history. The monthly income has been beyond that of any other year and the building fund has received generous attention.

CHELMSFORD

Harry Harmon, clerk at the Chelmsford post office will attend the inauguration exercises at Washington as the guest of his brother, Dr. Arthur A. Harmon of that city.

This is visiting day for the teachers of the Centre school and hence a holiday for the children.

The members of the choir at the Central Congregational church with friends, making a party of 25 were pleasantly entertained on Wednesday evening by their leader, Mrs. Arthur A. Stewart, at her home in Lowell. Mrs. A. B. Woodworth and Mrs. Henry P. Woodworth assisted Mrs. Stewart in entertaining.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Prof. Henry C. Newell of the Perdmont college in Demorest, Ga., will speak at the morning service in the Second Congregational church, Sunday morning, March 5.

Mr. William Picken has recently been visiting his friends in Fitchburg.

Thursday evening in the town hall, the board of registrars held a meeting and new names were added to the voting list.

The Moore Spinning Co., is having a new dye house built, close by their large storehouse.

Next week the Chelmsford Foundry Co., will begin on their new working schedule, whereby the help will have Saturday afternoons off. Business is good at the present time in the foundry, and the prospects for a busy summer are good.

REID NOT MARRIED.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The published statement that Daniel G. Reid of New York, chairman of the board of directors of the Rock Island railroad, had recently been married in London, is authoritatively denied by his business associates in this city. Mr. Reid is not in London, but is now on his way to Palm Beach to join his daughter.

RAISED DEBT

Worthen Street Church Produces the Cash

A little while ago the Worthen Street M. E. church had an outstanding indebtedness of $1200 and it has been wiped away. The church members banded together a few weeks ago and decided that the debt should be wiped out. They organized and laid their plans. The result was all that could be desired and last night the freedom of the church from debt was celebrated by a grand jubilee meeting. There was a church supper and a reception. Supper was served by the ladies of the church and former pastor, the presiding elder of the district and the pastor of the Central church were guests.

The church's speedy relief from debt is due in a great measure to the able efforts of the soliciting committee composed of Messrs. Hoyt, Johnson and Stetson. The committee collected over $1300. The announcement of the committee's very successful work was greeted with applause, hearty and sincere.

After supper Dr. C. H. Leland called to order and the pastor, Rev. E. P. Herrick, read the report of the committee. The other speakers were Rev. J. H. Mansfield, D. D., the presiding elder of the district; Rev. E. R. Thorndike, D. D., a former pastor and now of Saratoga Street church in East Boston; Rev. E. T. Curnick, D. D., Rev. J. F. Allen, Rev. W. W. Shenk and Rev. Edmond Lupien, who has charge of the French work for the Methodist denomination in this city. Letters of congratulation were received from ministers who were unable to be present.

INDIAN BILL

AGREEMENT REACHED IN ALL BUT THREE AMENDMENTS.

WASHINGTON, March 3—Conferees on the Indian appropriation bill reached an agreement last night on all but three amendments. The first strikes out the house provision removing the restrictions upon the alienation of lands of all allottees of either of the five civilized tribes of Indians who do not appear upon the rolls as full blood Indians, except minors and except as of homesteads. The second is the senate appropriation of $1,500,000 to carry into effect the treaty with the Indians residing on the Colville reservation in the state of Washington. The other disagreement is the amendment appropriation $150,000 for the irrigation of the lands of the Indians in Arizona. The senate provision was accepted providing for the investigation of leases of allotted lands in Indian Territory which the secretary of the interior has reason to believe were obtained in violation of the terms of the agreement with the five civilized tribes.

The provision for the extension of the leases of oil lands in Oklahoma held by the Indian Territory Illuminating Oil Company is accepted by the house conferees, with an amendment to the provision increasing the royalty to be paid on each gas well from $50 to $100.

LAWYER WANTS $50,000.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., March 3.—John Delahunty, the New York attorney, who was counsel for Richard A. Canfield for several years, has brought two actions against Canfield to recover $50,000 for legal services.

Mr. Canfield had refused to pay, claiming that the bill was excessive and the result was that Mr. Delahunty began proceedings.

ANTI- TRUST BILL PASSED.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 3—The house of representatives of Nebraska, yesterday afternoon, passed an anti-trust bill by a vote of 72 to 10. The bill is aimed specifically at the so-called beef turst and the Standard Oil company.

RED ROVER CLUB

HELD ENJOYABLE SOCIABLE IN ASSOCIATE HALL.

The Red Rover club held a social and dance in Associate hall last night and the affair was very largely attended and also proved to be a grand success. During the early part of the evening a concert program was carried out, after which dancing was enjoyed.

Selection, Miss Mary Ort; song, "Ev'rywhere," Red Rover quartet, Messrs. Hosmer, Gordon, Bowden, Ort; banjo-mandolin, "Red Rover March," Red Rover quartet, Messrs. Gordon, Hosmer, Rokes, Swann; song, "I'm Longing for You Sweetheart, Day by Day," James F. Hennessey; banjo solo, "American Rondo," Ray B. Gordon; song, "Just for Tonight," Miss Alice Donnelly; selection, "Pretty Mamie Clancy Waltz," Nerpa club; song, "Shine On, O Stars," Martin Maguire; selection, "Zenoble," Nerpa club.

Those who officered the affair were: General manager, Cecil N. Hosmer; assistant manager, Robert J. Bowden; floor director, Martin Maguire; assistant floor director, Walter Rokes; secretary, Ray B. Gordon; aids, Harry Swann, James Hennessey, Arthur Halpin, Charles Ort, A. Gale Lees.

KOREAN MINISTER

BECOMES A MEMBER OF CATHOLIC CHURCH.

CHICAGO, March 3.—A special from Kobe says:

"According to the Osaka Mainchi's Seoul correspondent, the Korean minister has become a convert to Roman Catholicism and has requested the Seoul Catholic mission to receive him formally into the church."

The MERRIMACK

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Norfolk Suits in Mixtures, sizes 4 to 14 years, that were $3.00, $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00.

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Let us show you the new garments — try them on and see the improvements since last season in the fitting — see the richness of the new fabrics, etc.—nothing more refreshing than the change from a winter overcoat to these spring garments.

The top coats are 32 and 34 inches long—are in shades of tan, olive, oxford and brownish coverts—also black thibet.

The overcoats are 40 and 42 inches long—in black undressed worsteds and oxford gray vicunas.

Rain coats are 52 to 54 inches long — in full box back or Paddock styles — and are shown in gray worsteds, venetians and fancy mixtures.

Each style begins at $10 and goes to $25.

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The Yorick, Merrimack Special, L. & H. derbies are here in the new spring blocks — at *$3.00.*

The Merrimack Derby and eight other shapes of new spring derbies—at *$2.00.*

Fifteen styles of soft hats—in the new spring shapes and shades—at *$2.00 and $3.00.*

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ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

DID NOT INSPECT

City Treasurers Books Not Looked Into

Alderman Braden and Councilmen Morse and Dodge of the appropriations committee were at City hall this morning but up to noon none of them had gone to the city treasurer's office to look over the books.

No time was set for the inspection and in response to the query of a reporter of The Sun, Chairman Braden said: "We have fixed no special time to examine the books in the treasurer's office and it is not likely that the committee as a whole will inspect them. Some of the members were sick last night, especially Alderman Cosgrove, and it is not likely that they will all get together before next Monday."

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BOARD OF HEALTH

MET AT HOME OF DR. HUNTRESS YESTERDAY.

The board of health met with Dr. Leonard Huntress at his home, 46 Fort Hill avenue, yesterday afternoon. Dr. Huntress being confined to his home with a severe cold. The board discussed department matters generally, but transacted no business.

UBERO CLUB

HELD CONCERT AND DANCE LAST EVENING.

The Ubero club gave a delightful concert and dance in American Mechanics' hall in Middle street, last evening with a large attendance.

The concert consisted of numbers by the orchestra and songs and violin selections by Louis Christiani. The program was as follows: March, Ubero club; overture, "Lore and Song;" piano solo, selected, Louis Christiani; galop, "Red Devil," Louis Christiani.

The officers of the evening were: General manager, Maurice Lambert; assistant general manager, George J. L'Heureux; floor director, George E. Mongeau; assistant floor director, J. Z. B. Lebrun; chairman of reception committee, J. Perigny; assistants, C. E. L'Heureux, Luke Dion, L. T. L'Heureux, Wilfred Gendreau, Fidele Daigle. The chief aids were: A. J. Lambert, Charles A. Gendreau, L. Desrosier, Wilfrid Beauregard, Peter Perreault, L. Turcotte, S. Ouellette, J. Connors.

COMMITTEE NAMED

Y. M. C. I. TO ASSIST IN THE BAZAAR.

At the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. I. last night five propositions for membership were received and four applicants were admitted. Reports of progress were read from the officers and standing committees. The following committee was appointed to assist Rev. Fr. Dorgan, O. M. I., in the coming bazaar: Patrick Mooney, Thomas O'Hare, P. J. Cox, James E. Burns, John T. Buckley, Alfred Cooney, Thos. Finnerty, John T. Carroll, Daniel E. Hogan, Bryant Coleman, William Flanagan, Martin Calnan, Walter F. King, Edward Quinlan, Michael O'Keefe, Frank P. McCartin, James McLaughlin, Frank McGilley, Andrew T. Doyle, John Green, James H. Flood, Thos. O'Hearn, William Carey, Henry Smith, John McCaffrey, Dr. William M. Collins.

President Hogan was authorized to appoint a delegate to attend the convention of Middlesex county, Federation of Catholic societies to be held in A. O. H. hall this city one week from Sunday. Under good of the order Hubert McQuade delivered lengthy remarks urging the members to put forth their best efforts for the benefit of the society.

WHIST TOURNAMENT

AT THE HALL OF THE C. M. A. C. LAST EVENING.

A whist party was held at the rooms of the C. M. A. C. last evening with 27 present. An introductory concert was given in which appeared Miss Emmons, Mr. E. Larochelle, A. Patenaude, Fred Emmons, L. Paradis, A. Desmarais and Messrs. Viette and Morin, acrobats.

Prizes were offered for the whist tournament, as follows: Lamp, Daigle Bros.; silk umbrella, Grace E. Mansfield; bicycle, V. Nomandin; statue, A. Lussier; bag flour, A. Demers; bag flour, E. Laplante; basket of groceries, Victor Achin; basket of groceries, H. Achin; silver tea kettle, J. Marin; nut set, J. Provost; perfumery sprinkler, Dr. Payette; box soap, E. Roussin; box cigars, E. Blais; thermometer, F. Ricard; bottle syrup, Blouin and Desrosiers; bottle cognac, L. P. Turcotte. E. H. Choquette was master of ceremonies and the committee in charge consisted of A. Lussier, E. Blais, Emil Fontaine and Victor Achin.

MISS CALNIN ENTERTAINS.

Assisted by her mother, Mrs. James Calnin, and her aunt, Miss Carney, Miss Helena R. Calnin of Durant street entertained last evening the 18 young ladies who helped to make the candy table at the calendar party on Tuesday evening a decided success.

The affair was delightfully informal, the young ladies enjoying music and games until 10 o'clock, when a dainty luncheon was served in the prettily decorated dining room. Here Mrs. Calnin was assisted by Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Grennan, both chaperones of the candy table on Tuesday evening. This is the last pleasant evenings which for some time the young ladies have enjoyed at their president's home.

AT HILLSIDE CHURCH.

Mrs. Ella M. Keith of Worcester will give an instructive lecture on "Domestic Science" in the vestry of the Hillside church this evening, beginning at 7:30. She, with her assistant, will cook and serve food to the audience. The rest of the collation will be provided by those in charge. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all. No admission. Mrs. Keith will also lecture in the auditorium of the church next Monday evening on European travel. A stereopticon will be used.

PUPILS STRIKE

SESSION OF THE EVENING SCHOOL BROKEN UP.

FALL RIVER, March 3.—The strike has been so fostered in this city that it has broken out among the youngsters. It disrupted a session of the Pleasant street evening school last night and resulted today in the fining of the two leading mutineers in the district court. While Margaret E. Taylor, a teacher, was instructing Manuel Moniz and Joseph Martin they replied with a string of profane words which shocked her. The boys shouted "Strike!" and instantly the room was in an uproar. Officers Foley and Fogan had to quell the disturbance. Judge McDonough, as a warning, imposed fines of $5 each.

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Best Vermont tub butter, 32c lb., 5 lb. box $1.65. Guaranteed strictly fresh eggs, 33c doz. Clapp & Co., Merrimack square.

CRIES OF LYNCHING

GREETED CORDOVA, THE ELOPING MINISTER.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Spat upon and reviled, amid shouts of "Lynch him!" the Rev. J. F. Cordova, former pastor of the Methodist church at South River, N. J., was taken last night at New Brunswick from the train which brought him from Washington with Julia Bowne, with whom he had for the third time eloped, leaving behind a wife and children.

As he was led out alone by a detective, the mob's cries were drowned in the general question, "Where is the woman?" Nowhere could she be found, though her custodian from Washington said she had not left the train. Finally, after the train had been held up for 10 minutes, a woman in one car pointed to a closet at the end and said she had seen a woman enter it. The door was locked, and the conductor forced it. There Julia Bowne was found.

As she descended from the train she became the centre of the mob, but she did not flinch. Women spat in her face, mocked her and seemed as if they would like to do her injury, but she moved on, looking neither to one side nor the other.

Bail in Cordova's case was set at $1000, in default of which he was taken to jail. For the girl $500 bail was offered by her father, and it was acceptable to the authorities, but she would not go with him, and consequently remained in jail, but in a separate cell.

"It was Mrs. Cordova's fault," Cordova said to the detectives. "She drove me to this after I tried for years to prevent it. From the first week after our wedding I have been unhappy."

Prosecutor Perdine will bring up the case before the grand jury on Tuesday, at which time Cordova will probably be indicted. Meanwhile Mrs. Cordova is preparing to go before that body to testify to assault.

Extra guards were about the little frame jail last night.

LOWELL PEOPLE

ATTENDED CONCERT AND BALL AT SOMERVILLE LAST NIGHT.

Mayor Casey, James E. Donnelly, John Adams of the Academy of Music, Mr. Trull of Chelmsford, Misses Minnie and Lulu Saunders, Miss Alice Murphy, Miss Nano Gallagher and Miss Alice O'Donnell were among the Lowell people present at the concert and ball of the Young Men's Catholic club of St. Anne's church, Somerville, last evening, and Misses Murphy and Gallagher and Mr. Donnelly contributed to the concert program. Rev. Edward F. Saunders of this city is a curate at St. Anne's.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

By Cotton Weavers' Protective Union on the death of a member.

Resolutions on the death of Sister Mary E. Hanley:

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to summon before His heavenly throne our esteemed friend and worthy member, Mary E. Hanley, thus severing the many pleasant ties that bound us from our earliest acquaintance, be it therefore

Resolved, that while we bow in submission to an all wise providence in removing from our midst a member who by her staunch and enthusiastic faith in the ability of a conservative trade union to accomplish the amelioration of its members succeeded in bringing to our union many of our fellow workers who have since become permeated with the fundamental principles of our cause and are now the stoutest pillars of the Cotton Weavers Union.

Resolved, that we tender our heartfelt sympathy to her sisters in this their hour of affliction, and we trust that God in His goodness will give to them strength and fortitude to enable them to sustain their loss and to look with hope to that future when those who were ever dear to each other in this transitory life will again meet and be forever united.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be published in the local papers and placed upon our records as a token of the esteem in which our late Sister Mary E. Hanley was held by the members of the Cotton Weavers' Protective Union.

THOMAS J. REAGAN,
ANNIE O. ODEL,
ANNIE McMULLEN,
Committee on Resolutions.

To buy the best paying store,
To buy the best restaurant,
To buy the best boardinghouse,
To buy a beautiful home,
To buy a good farm,
To have your estate properly cared for,
To rent a nice home,
To sell your house, store, or farm,
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MAY ABOLISH IT

NO POSTMASTER FOR MILBROOK POSTOFFICE.

DUXBURY, March 3.—The Milbrook postoffice in this town may be abandoned, because of the inability of Uncle Sam to secure a successor to Postmaster W. P. Johnson, who has resigned. The department wished to increase Postmaster Johnson's bond some time ago, so that the office might do a money order business. Postmaster Johnson didn't care for the office under an increased bond and resigned six months ago. Now the department has been obliged to post a notice calling attention to the fact that if a successor isn't secured within 15 days the office will be abandoned. In that case the business formerly transacted at Milbrook would go to the office at Duxbury village.

MATRIMONIAL

Miss Sylvia M. Symond, daughter of Ephraim B. Symond, of Tyngsboro, formerly of Lowell, was united in marriage to Mr. Robert Holland of Lowell on Wednesday evening, by the Rev. Arthur P. Wedge of Worthen Street Baptist church.

The ceremony was followed by a bountiful repast at the future home of the newly wedded couple, 181 Howard street, only immediate relatives being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Holland were generously remembered by their friends with many costly and beautiful gifts. No cards.

BARTLETT—HONAN.

The marriage of Mr. Frank J. Bartlett of Charlestown and Sara J. Honan of Everett, formerly of this city was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at St. Peter's parochial residence in this city, by Rev. Fr. Burns. Mr. Chas. Dilworth of Charlestown was best man and Miss Frances Taft of Everett was bridesmaid. The bride was very becomingly attired in white crepe de chine over taffeta with trimmings of chiffon and Irish crochet lace. She wore a white chiffon hat with ostrich plume and carried a shower bouquet of Mermet roses and pinks. The bridesmaid wore white muslin, velvet hat and carried violets. An informal reception was held at the home of her sister Mrs. John Markham on Cedar street. Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett departed on the 3.52 train for Boston en route for New York. They carry with them the good wishes of a host of friends. They were made the recipients of many beautiful gifts. They will reside at 38 Grant street, Somerville where they will be at home to their friends after May 1st.

PERSONALS

Miss May Carney, formerly teacher in the Green school, who has been confined to her home for more than a year as the result of injuries sustained from a snowslide in Central street, is now able to be out but she has not yet recovered full power of her arms while her head and her sight are still seriously affected. Her friends hope, however, that she may eventually recover entirely from the effects of the severe blow received from a lump of ice falling on her head.

No Gloss Carriage Paint Made will wear as long as Devoe's. No others are as heavy bodied, because Devoe's weigh 3 to 8 ounces more to the pint. Sold by The Adams Hardware and Paint Co.

BURNED TO DEATH

WOMAN'S CLOTHING CAUGHT FIRE FROM STOVE.

NEWPORT, R. I., March 3.—Mrs. Albert Sherman was burned to death today in her tenement here. The woman's skirt became ignited from a small stove in her bedroom and before assistance could reach her, her clothing was burned off. Death occurred within a few minutes. Mrs. Sherman was 77 years of age and leaves a husband and three sons.

MINOR INJURIES

SIMON HARRIS FELL DOWN A FLIGHT OF STAIRS.

Simon Harris, residing at 285 Central street, fell down a flight of stairs, this morning, and received injuries which necessitated the summoning of the ambulance which removed him to St. John's hospital.

At the hospital it was found that he was suffering from minor bruises and he was released from the hospital shortly before noon today.

DID YOU KNOW

That Howard, the Druggist, 197 Central street, perfumes your handkerchief or clothing free? Nine true and lasting odors to choose from at 25c an ounce, quality equalling 50c goods elsewhere.

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These are thoroughly well made suits, in three new and correct Spring styles. They are the product of one of the best manufacturers in New York city, who made them up on a special order for a merchant in another city, but declined to deliver them for reasons good and sufficient to himself. The colors are blue, brown and black, and the sizes range from 34 to 42. Mohairs promise to be the most wanted fabric of the season and we doubt if you can buy anywhere in the United States enough fabric of the quality to make a dress at the price we ask for the suit ready-to-wear.

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For $10 we will deliver and connect ready for use a high grade, full size Gas Range, complete in every detail of construction. We will sell this range on our usual easy payment plan, and would suggest to those wishing to take advantage of our offer, that orders be left at once, as the limited supply of ranges will last but a short time.

Perhaps you intend buying a Gas Range as soon as hot weather comes. Don't wait, get the Gas Range first and be prepared for warm days.

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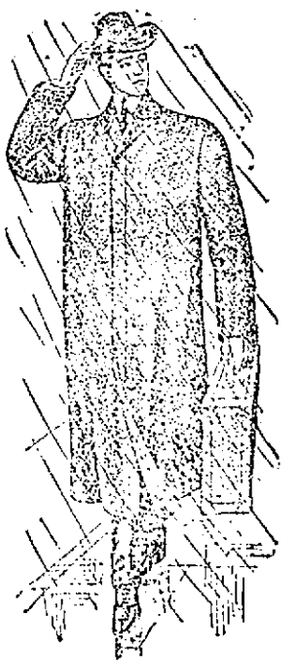

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Spring Topcoats and Raincoats

To introduce our immense lines of Spring Overcoats and Raincoats we announce a special sale this week at Ten Dollars. We choose this price as one that has always proven popular and by our large purchases we can present the strongest values ever given at this price.

Men's Topcoats at $10—Made of strictly all wool tan coverts, the very latest effects in fancy cheviots, also plain black or Oxfords. Cut in the fashionable short box effects, well lined and tailored.

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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

From Merrimack St.

5.45, 6.22, 6.45, 7.40, 8.50, 9.22, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, 5.44 p. m.

Sundays, 8.45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.48	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.28	7.40	6.30	7.26
6.39	7.30	7.54	8.54
6.49	7.53	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.04	9.57
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.34
7.43	8.35	11.30	12.07
7.52	10.05	12.00	12.56
8.57	9.40	1.00	1.37
9.33	10.19	2.00	3.01
11.05	12.00	3.00	3.37
11.43	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.30
1.44	2.50	5.00	5.37
1.56	2.39	5.38	6.25
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
5.22	6.15	7.30	8.08
5.49	7.00	9.30	9.08
6.12	6.55	10.30	11.34
7.23	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.50	8.31
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.45	11.40
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.05
12.05	1.26	2.15	3.20
12.50	2.00	3.35	4.50
2.30	3.33	4.35	5.49
3.10	4.05	6.01	7.03
3.55	5.00	6.35	7.45
5.05	6.46	9.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	*11.15	12.13
7.00	8.00		
8.50	10.26		

* Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9.15
12.10	1.20	12.00	1.00
3.55	4.50	5.05	6.25
5.32	6.53		
8.05	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.38	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10	11.30	12.07
8.48	9.49	1.00	1.37
9.20	10.15	5.00	5.39
2.25	3.27	7.30	8.08
5.28	6.30	8.30	9.08
6.22	7.05	9.00	10.02

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SUNSHINE WHIST CLUB.

The Sunshine Whist club met at the home of Mrs. G. E. Walsh, 26 A street, yesterday afternoon and a very enjoyable time was spent. The winners were Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Pinaud, who won the first, second and consolation prizes, respectively.

KILLED BY ELECTRIC CAR.

BOSTON, March 3.—In attempting to avoid being struck by a heavy wagon, Mrs. Annie McGaffigan, a widow, 60 year old, jumped in front of an electric car on Cambridge street, near her home, yesterday afternoon and was crushed so badly that she died before she reached the hospital.

CLEAR WEATHER PREDICTED.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The United States weather bureau last night gave out the following special forecast as to the inauguration day weather:

"The weather in the district of Columbia on Saturday is almost dependent upon the movement of the low area now over the Saskatchewan valleys. Should it move eastward as now appears probable, the weather will be clear to partly cloudy with pleasant, comfortable temperature."

COMPANY M

INSPECTED AT THE ARMORY BY MAJOR SULLIVAN.

A regimental inspection of Company M, Ninth regiment, M. V. M., was held at the state armory in Westford street last night. Major Sullivan of Boston was the inspecting officer and he was favorably impressed with the work of the men and also their appearance.

Major Sweetsir of the Sixth regiment gave instructions to the commissioned men of Company G regiment, last night at the armory.

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PENSIONERS ATTENTION

In order to accommodate those who desire their pension papers made out, I will be at the store Saturday, March 4th from 9 a. m. until 11 p. m. Or I will call at your residence or place of business if requested.

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POISON IN TEA

Attempt to Kill Two Women

ORLEANS, March 3.—An attempt to take the lives by poisoning of Mrs. Etta Lewis and her daughter, Miss May Lewis, who have always resided here was made on Feb. 22 and has just been made public. That both are alive is the result of their not having followed their usual custom on that night.

Both the mother and her handsome daughter are well known here and usually take a prominent part in the town's social functions, being among the leaders in church and charitable work. They were particularly happy on the occasion of the Washington's birthday party a week ago.

As Mrs. Lewis almost invariably accompanied her daughter to the parties it was her practice to have a hot drink before retiring, and as usual on the night of Feb. 22 a pot of tea was left on the range.

Returning home after midnight, they sat for a while by the parlor stove, and becoming somewhat drowsy the mother said: "I am too tired to bother to go into the kitchen for tea, let's go right up to bed."

Her suggestion was followed, and to this they owe the fact that they are alive today. The following morning they were astonished to find a trace of green powder on the floor leading from the outer doorstep to the stove and even to the teapot and teakettle on the stove.

Inside of the vessels also it was noticed that the water and tea were colored somewhat green, and then, for the first time realizing that it was poison, and that they had evidently narrowly escaped death, the two women flew from the house to the home of Walter Nickerson, a brother of Mrs. Lewis, with whom they still remain, and so thoroughly frightened that Mrs. Lewis is in a state of nervous collapse.

State Detective Bradford was quietly notified, and has been working on the case. It has now become a matter of publicity, and it is believed an arrest will be made within a short time.

The amount of poison found in the kettle was sufficient to have caused the death of many persons, and it is evident to those who have worked on the case that it was fully intended to cause the death of Mrs. Lewis and her daughter.

Mrs. Lewis is about 45 years of age, and her daughter nearly 19. The teapot and kettle are in possession of Medical Examiner Davis of this village.

BRUTAL ASSAULT

WOMAN WAS ATTACKED BY TWO BURGLARS.

NORTH SMITHFIELD, R. I., March 2—Two men, roughly attired, broke into a cottage occupied by Miss Mary E. Inman, on the outskirts of this town early today and after brutally assaulting Miss Inman who is about fifty years old, then made their escape having obtained but $7 in a pocket book as the result of their burglary. When they left the house it was surrounded by the neighbors armed with shotguns but the robbers nevertheless were able to escape uninjured.

The men entered shortly after midnight and frightened Miss Inman into handing over to them the $7 by choking her. They then produced a revolver with which they attempted to make her divulge the whereabouts of other money which they said she must have about the place. She denied possession of more. One burglar then mounted guard while the other searched the house. Finally Miss Inman succeeded in breaking away and ran for help to her neighbors. The men however got away. There is no clue to their identity though Miss Inman gave a good description of each. According to Miss Inman, they were not professionals, and appeared to be of foreign birth.

Miss Inman was much bruised by the severe handling she received.

OFFICERS ELECTED

BY GRAND LODGE DEGREE OF HONOR.

BOSTON, March 3.—The annual session of the grand lodge, Degree of Honor, the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order United Workmen, was opened here yesterday.

Grand Chief of Honor Eliza M. Chaplin presided. The proposition to incorporate the organization under the laws of Rhode Island was rejected and a committee appointed to secure incorporation in the state. The grand recorder reported two lodges instituted, and seven surrendered their charters during the year.

It was voted not to have district conventions. Officers were elected as follows:

Grand chief of honor, Lucy A. Davis of Bucksport, Me.; grand lady of honor, Margaret Cassidy of Boston; grand chief of ceremonies, Lizzie B. Wolfe of Gloucester; grand recorder, Carrie I. Mann of New Haven; grand receiver, Ida F. Whitman of Slatersville; finance committee, three years, Eva A. Hill of Haverhill; grand trustee, Marielle Burns of Dorchester; representatives to superior lodges, Eliza M. Chaplin of Pawtucket, R. I., Emma Witherill of Oakland, Me., and Beatrice L. Nichols of Hartford, Conn.

HARVARD WON

BROWN BEATEN IN THE AQUATIC MEET.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—Harvard won the aquatic meet from Brown last night by a score of five points to two. Harvard won all the special swimming events, while Brown captured the water polo game by a score of 3 to 0. The summary:

Relay race won by Harvard—Time, 2 minutes, 14 1-5 seconds; plunge for distance, won by Sherman (Harvard) 56 1-2 feet; 50 yard race, won by Noyes (Harvard), time 32 seconds; 100 yards' dash, won by Farley, 1 minute, 9 4-5 seconds. Water polo game, won by Brown, 3 goals to nothing.

HAND INJURED

THUMB NEARLY SEVERED BY A CIRCULAR SAW.

Frederick C. Fraser, aged 42 years, had the thumb of his left hand lacerated while working on a circular saw at W. H. Beane's shop in Dutton street yesterday. He was taken to the Emergency hospital where 12 stitches were taken in the wound. Fraser resides at 127 Paige street.

BANK SETTLED

With Woman Who Was Falsely Arrested

BOSTON, March 3.—The suit for $25,000 brought by Elizabeth Freeman, a pretty young demonstrator of Brooklyn, against the Natick National bank for false arrest and imprisonment was settled yesterday for a "fair amount," understood to be in the neighborhood of $1000.

On March 13, 1903, a young woman supposed to be Agnes Field, a Wellesley student, or some one impersonating a student, presented a worthless check for $200 on the bank at Natick, which was paid. Then A. L. Potter, the teller, and the cashier, named Travis, enlisted themselves as a Sherlock Homes-Dr. Watson outfit and proceeded to run the fair deceiver to earth. They handed over to Officer Dunham of the state police the following description: "Age 23, weight 110, dark hair, dressed in gray coat and hat."

The plaintiff had been working at a store in Natick as a demonstrator, and she was followed to Springfield, where she was arrested in a department store. Potter, who accompanied the officer "on a special mission" was not sure that the plaintiff was the right girl, but he declared in the police station at Springfield that Miss Freeman had been in the Natick bank previous to March 13. This she denied on the stand. She was placed under arrest and searched by the matron. The officer did not tell the girl why he had detained her, and when the matron informed her that she was "a pretty hardened thing," Miss Freeman, who is an excellent type of the modern business woman, promptly fainted.

She was taken back to Natick and held in $3,000, but after three hearings she was discharged. The court would admit no evidence concerning the hearing, and it developed that no record of her commitment on her failure to provide bonds was kept.

She applied to the bank for money in order to get back to Springfield, but the officials abruptly declined to give it. On her arrival at Forbes & Wallace's department store there she requested to waste no time in leaving the store. When she called on acquaintances she had made in Springfield she got the same invitation. As a result of her arrest she lost her position as demonstrator for the Swan Electrical company.

She finally arrived in Brooklyn and secured a position in R. H. Macy's in New York, but she had to leave because there was so much talk about the "scrape" she was concerned in in Massachusetts. Several times after that she was discharged as soon as "wicked rumor" reached the ears of her employers.

She is now representing a Providence medical concern in New York. She was dressed yesterday in brown to match her chataigne complexion and auburn hair.

The defence of the bank was that it was an honest mistake of fact, and her lawyers, Clarence W. Rowley and Edward S. Hull of New York, said that they took this fact into consideration in settling for the above amount. P. H. Cooney for the bank.

POLICY HOLDERS

WANT A VOICE IN COMPANY'S AFFAIRS.

NEW YORK, March 3—A committee of policy holders of the Equitable Life Assurance society met yesterday with John D. Crimmins and a bill for submission to the legislature and providing for the mutualization of the Equitable society on radical lines was discussed.

Another meeting will be held today, the committee stating that a large representation of policy holders will be present. Mr. Crimmins said last night that it is the intention of the committee to permit the holders of a one year's policy for $1000 to have just as much voice in the management of affairs as the holders of a large amount.

TUITION RATES

TO BE ADVANCED BY TRUSTEES OF VASSAR COLLEGE.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 3.—President James M. Taylor of Vassar college, announces that the college trustees have decided to advance the rates which have been maintained since 1866. The tuition fee is advanced from $100 to $150 a year and the board from $250 to $350 per year, making the four years cost to the pupil staying at the college $2000, an increase of $400. The authorities reckon that this increase will not them between $90,000 and $100,000 a year. The new rates do not apply to students now at the college. Increase in cost of education and of living are given as the reasons for the increase.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis P. Reed of 10 Fifth street are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy.

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Harry Richardson's

CHINESE COOK

JANE LATHROP STANFORD.

Is Suspected of Having Poisoned Mrs. Stanford

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3—The Call publishes a dispatch from Honolulu today which says that Miss Bertha Berner, who was Mrs. Stanford's secretary, has named Ah Wing, a Chinese cook who has been employed at Mrs. Stanford's home for over 20 years, as the person whom she suspects of placing the strychnine in the bicarbonate of soda. Ah Wing, with the other servants in the employ of Mrs. Stanford is now confined in the Stanford mansion on California street by private detectives under orders, it is said, of the personal attorney of Mrs. Stanford. The servants are not allowed to leave the house and the watchman is on guard at the gate day and night with orders to prohibit all persons from approaching the dwelling. Besides Ah Wing there are two other Chinese servants and the housekeeper at present in the house. Since the announcement was made that strychnine had been found in the bottle of bicarbonate, detectives have made careful search of Mrs. Stanford's California street home and her place in Palo Alto. At both they have found a one pound can of imported bicarbonate of soda. The can at the Palo Alto home had not been opened but from the one discovered in the California St. mansion, there had been taken a small portion, presumably the amount needed to fill the small bottle that Mrs. Stanford carried with her to Honolulu.

Both of these cans have been analyzed by a local chemist who has pronounced their contents absolutely free from any kind of poison. With this knowledge in their possession the detectives have been eager to discover who re-filled the small bottle and possibly mixed the bicarbonate of soda with strychnine.

SKULL FRACTURED

A RECLUSE BADLY BEATEN BY TWO MEN.

WATERBURY, Conn., March 3.—Thomas Lockwood, aged 82, a recluse, was found in his farm-house on the road to Middlebury, yesterday, with his skull fractured in two places and his body badly cut and bruised. He says that two men called upon him Tuesday and at the point of a revolver made him sign a document giving them a right for a trolley line over his land. As he was signing it, he says, they struck him with a bludgeon twice, felling him to the floor, then rifled his house, taking everything of value with them. Four thousand dollars in non-negotiable securities was left behind.

WENT ON STRIKE

BROWN TAIL MOTH CHASERS WANT PAY.

BOSTON, March 2.—Forty men employed in exterminating the brown tail moth in this city by the city of Cambridge, struck today because the city refused to pay them for Feb. 22. Mayor Daly notified the committee of the employes that there was no rule under which they could be paid for time in which they did not work on a holiday and thereupon the men went on strike.

A CARD

To Citizens of Lowell:

There were exactly three reasons why she married him as she did.

Because she wanted to spite "Mamma;" because she had always been a wee bit stage-struck; or because she loved him so!

Who is "She"?

Why, "She's" one of the prettiest, pluckiest, and most famous of all the fair daughters of Lowell. And there's no dearth of pretty girls in Lowell, as you know.

And now you want to know all about it, of course.

You will find the whole story, just how and why it happened, told by the heroine herself, in next Sunday's Boston American.

A beauty, a tempestuous tragedian, a mere mother, and the little blind god with the bow and arrow.

And it all happened right here in Lowell.

And that's by no means all! Well, rather not. That's only one page,—one page, mind you—of a 52 page Sunday paper, the best published in New England.

If you take it regularly—and if you don't you've missed something it will take you a long time to catch up with—just drop around to your newsdealer and leave an order for it, for next Sunday, sure.

The edition will be sold out early, you can be sure of that.

Saturday

March 4, I will sell 100 Imported Gravures, framed in gilt and wood, 11 x 14 glass for ***25c Each.*** Also another lot of Flowers and Fruit yards, ***10c,*** with cut prices on all the pictures in the store.

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J. W. BRUCE, Auctioneer

The G. W. Groves Sale of Shanley & Co.'s Doomed Stock, after twelve of the greatest bargain giving days that Lowell has ever known, will continue in force today, Friday and Saturday. We have inaugurated a general crusade against cost price, cutting off in many cases fifty per cent. This means for the remainder of the week you can buy clean, seasonable goods at 1-2 the regular retail price.

Astounding Bargains in Fine Laces

Torchon Lace, 2c, 3c and 4c per Yard.

Escurial Silk Lace, 8c, 11c, 14c and 17c per Yard.

Lace Insertion, 2c, 3c, 6c and 8c per Yard.

Hamburg Laces, 3c, 5c, 7c and 9c per Yard.

Large Line of Dress Trimmings

Ladies' Linen Collars

Ladies' 4-ply Linen Collars in six different styles, doomed price 4 for 25c.

Ladies' All-over Lace (cape) Collars, doomed price 48c and 84c Each.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs in all white and colored borders, doomed price 2c, 7c and 9c.

Ladies' Belts, 59c, 75c and 98c, doomed price 38c.

Ladies' White Aprons, at half and less, 15c, 19c, 29c and 36c.

Furs—Furs—Furs

A better investment than money in bank at the prices marked on these goods.

Unheard of Bargains in Dress Goods and Linings

54-inch Wool Mixtures, Shirt Waist Suitings, value 69c, doomed price 29c per Yard.

44-inch Check Suitings, in medium and light colors, doomed price 11c per Yard.

52-inch Wool Plaid Mixtures, value $1.00 per yard, doomed price 69c per Yard.

Colored Pin Check Suitings, doomed price 8c per Yard.

All Black Silk Mixture, Shirt Waist Suiting, value $1.00 per yard, doomed price 64c per Yard.

All Black and Colored Lining Cambric, 3½c per Yard.

Black and Colored Selisias, 20c quality, 11c per Yard.

Black and Colored Yard-Wide Tuxedo, 20c quality, doomed price 11c per Yard.

Lot Fancy Stripes, Yard-Wide Lining, value 17c per yard, doomed price 7½c per Yard.

Visit Corset Dept.

75c and $1.00 Corsets, doomed price 42c a Pair.

Big Bargains. Small Wares

Angora Braid in black and colors, doomed price 8c.

Eureka and Belding, 100 yard, Sewing Silk, doomed price 6c a Spool.

Coat's or Clark's, 200 yard spool, Cotton, doomed price 4c a Spool.

Marshal's Linen Thread, doomed price 8c.

Ladies' Side Combs, regular price 10c, 12c and 17c, doomed price 8c a Pair.

Herbert's Steel Pointed Pins, doomed price 2 Papers for 9c.

Luther's Feather Braid, warranted, 6 yards, doomed price 5c.

Memorable Values in Domestics

64-inch Colored Table Damask, 19c per Yard.

62-inch Cream Table Damask, only 46c per Yard.

Lot French Satines, the kind that never fades, only 19c per Yard.

Domet Flannel, extra wide, only 4c per Yard.

36-inch Curtain Muslin, only 9c per Yard.

Ribbons, About Given Away

Black and Colored Ribbons, 1c, 2c, 4c and 8c per Yard.

Black and Colored Velling, 11c, 16c and 19c per Yard.

Ladies' 4-inch Lace Collars, doomed at 12½c.

Memorable Values in Ladies' Kid Gloves

Ladies' Black and Colored Kid Gloves, value 75c, $1.00 and $1.25, doomed price 49c a Pair.

Ready to Wear Dept.
Second Floor.

Ladies' Fine Dress Skirts in a fine line of Mixtures, Shanley's price $3.49, doomed price only $1.69.

Ladies' All Wool Sweaters, regular price $1.98, doomed price $1.19.

Ladies' Mercerized Petticoats with ruffles and thin bias folds, value $1.98, doomed price $1.09.

Ladies' Golf Vests, sizes 32 to 44, big value at $1.00, doomed price 84c.

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THE WEATHER
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BEEF TRUST

Congress Informed of Its Operations

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President Roosevelt today transmitted to congress the report of the commissioner of corporations upon the beef industry submitted in compliance with the resolution of the house of representatives adopted March 7, 1904. The president's letter of transmittal is as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit herewith a report from the secretary of commerce and labor upon that portion of the resolution of the house of representatives adopted March 7, 1904, having to do with the prices of cattle and dressed beef, the margins between such prices, and the organization, conduct and profits of the corporations engaged in the beef packing industry.

In view of the fact that the department of justice is now engaged upon other matters involved in the resolution, the secretary of commerce and labor cannot at this time report thereon.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
White House, March 3, 1905.

The report of the commissioner of the corporations is to the effect that six packing companies: Armour & Co., Swife & Co., Morriss & Co., the National Packing company, the Sewarzchild & Sulzerberger company, and the Cudahy Packing company, slaughtered in the year 1903 about 45 per cent. of the total indicated slaughter in the United States; that the average net profit in 1903 for three of the companies was 99 cents per head; that the year 1902, instead of being one of exorbitant profits, was less profitable than usual and that during the months when prices of beef were the highest, some at least of the leading packers were actually losing money on every head slaughtered. The changes in the margin between prices of cattle and beef are in themselves no indications whatever of the change in profits, says the report.

Prices and conditions for the years 1902, 1903 and 1904 are reviewed and the conclusions are stated that the six companies especially discussed are apparently not over capitalized; that the percentage of profit on the gross volume of business is comparatively small, and that during the years 1902, 1903 and 1904, Swift & Co.'s profits have not exceeded 2 per cent. of the total sales so Cudahy & Co.'s is stated at 1.8 for 1904 and 2.3 per cent. for 1902. With reference to private car lines in the packing industry it is stated that the profit is a very liberal one, a net return of from 14 to 17 per cent. being indicated but it is added that reckoned on the basis of dressed beef transported, the profit would add but little to the cost of beef to the consumer. The profit of one concern, Cudahy Packing Co., on its investment in cars was as high as 22 per cent. in one year. Further, it stated that the six principal packing concerns while they slaughtered but 45 per cent. of the total cattle killed in 1903, they slaughtered nearly 98 per cent. of the cattle killed in the leading western packing centers; that they control a very large percentage of the trade in beef, particularly in the east and that they furnish New York about 75 per cent., Boston more than 85 per cent., Philadelphia about 60 per cent., Pittsburg more than 60 per cent., and Baltimore about 50 per cent.

SUMMARY OF REPORT.

A summary of the report follows::

That six packing companies, Armour & Company, Swift & Company, Morris & Company, The National Packing Company, The Swarzschild & Sulzerberger Company and the Cudahy Packing Company, frequently designated in the trade as "the big six" slaughtered in the year 1903, 5,521,697 head of cattle out of a total indicated slaughter in the U. S. of 12,500,000 head or about 45 per cent.

That the true average net profit for three companies—the Armour, Swift and Swarzschild & Sulzerberger—for the twelve months ending June 30, 1903, as shown by the twelve months ending June 30, 1903, as shown by their actual bookkeeping records, was 99 cents per head, not including incidental profits mentioned below.

That the year 1902, instead of being one of exorbitant profits, as has been commonly supposed, was less profitable than usual. The report says, in fact, that during the months when prices of beef were the highest, some, at least, of the leading packers were actually losing money on every head of cattle slaughtered.

That the changes in the margin between the prices of cattle and prices of beef are in themselves no indication whatever of the changes in the profits of the beef business.

That the margin between the price of cattle and the price of beef during the year 1903, instead of being unusually high, as popularly supposed, was for each half of that year lower than the margin for any corresponding half year since 1898, and that the increase in the margin for the second half of 1903, over the first half was no greater than the similar change in other years. An average margin, covering total killings of cattle by most of the packing houses in five leading western markets and sales of beef at 24 cities having a total population of about 20,000,000 persons was $2.81 per hundred weight for January to June, 1902; $2.83 for July to December, 1902; $2.14 for January to June 1903; $2.41 for the second half of 1903, and $2.33 for the first half of 1904.

That conditions in 1902 were abnormal, and that cattle prices for 1903 and 1904 cannot fairly be compared with that year. The great prosperity of the country from 1899 to 1902 apparently led to a considerable increase in the per capita consumption of beef. The practical failure of the corn crop of 1901 induced many cattle feeders to send their stock to market in poor condition, thus reducing the average weight per head and the average percentage of dressed beef to live weight. As a result, while the total number of cattle slaughtered at five leading western packing centers during the first half of 1902 decreased only about 1 percent as compared with the first half of 1901, the total live weight of the cattle slaughtered is computed to have decreased 4.3 percent, and the computed dressed weight decreased considerably more. In this connection the report says:

"In the face of the strong demand, the price of cattle was forced to the highest level ever known. The high prices of beef, which caused so much complaint among consumers at this time, were attributable wholly to these abnormal cattle prices."

That in 1903, the price of cattle fell very sharply, chiefly because of a large increase in the supply. The number of cattle killed in five leading western markets during the first half of 1903 was more than 15 percent greater than during the first half of 1902, and on account of the increased size of cattle the quantity of beef produced increased 22 percent.

In the second half of 1903 the quantity of beef from cattle killed at the same markets was about 10 percent greater than in the corresponding period of 1902. Under these conditions the price of beef, instead of remaining at the high level of 1902, fell during 1903 by a larger absolute amount and about the same percentage as the price of cattle. That the six leading packing companies, especially discussed, are apparently not over capitalized.

That the percentage of profit on the gross volume of business, including hog and sheep products and other minor commodities, is comparatively small. In the case of Swift & Co., during the three years, 1902, 1903 and 1904, the profits have in no case exceeded 2 percent of the total sales. In the case of the Cudahy Packing company for 1904 the net profit was 1.8 percent of the total sales; in 1902 it was 2.3 percent.

That the profit of private car lines in the packing industry on mileage is a very liberal one, approximate computations indicating a net return of from 14 percent to about 17 percent. Reckoning on the basis of dressed beef transported, however, this profit would add but little to the cost of such beef to the consumer, the net profit from the mileage of private cars being computed at not more than 4 cents per 100 pounds of beef, or say 25 cents per head for cattle.

The statement already made that the six large concerns mentioned slaughtered in 1903 only about 45 percent of the total cattle killed in that year indicates very clearly the existence of active competition by other concerns, at least in many places. This is chiefly explained by the operations of a large number of small slaughtering establishments. Taking the principal slaughtering and distributing centers, the proportion controlled by the six companies mentioned is much greater.

For instance, the six principal concerns slaughtered nearly 98 percent of all the cattle killed in the eight leading western packing centers, namely, Chicago, Kansas City, South Omaha, East St. Louis, South St. Joseph, Fort Worth, Sioux City and South St. Paul. In the same way they control a very large percentage of trade of beef in many large cities, particularly in the east. In New York they furnish about 75 percent; in Boston more than 85 percent; in Philadelphia about 60 percent; in Pittsburg more than 60 percent; in Providence more than 95 percent; in Baltimore about 50 percent and in a number of important cities their proportion ranges from 50 to 90 percent of the total beef supplied. In the smaller towns of most sections of the country, on the other hand and even in large cities in some sections, their operations are relatively much less important.

For instance, such cities as Buffalo, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Indianapolis obtain only from 10 to 33 1-3 percent of their total beef supply from these six companies. In the southern states the large packers mentioned generally supply less than half the total beef consumed in the larger cities and in the smaller cities and towns of this section the proportion is generally less than one-fourth.

The six companies mentioned are almost the only concerns conducting operations over an extended area, slaughtering cattle in the great western market and transporting the product eastward for consumption. Except for the beef supplied by them, nearly all his slaughtered by local concerns.

In order to make certain of the accuracy of the results, the bureau adopted a double method of ascertaining the profits. It first compelled, from the detailed records of packing companies, exact figures of the quantities, costs and sales of cattle and all products derived from them, and from these elements computed the profit of each of the packers separately and of all together. This computation was confined to the Armour, Swift and Schwarzschild and Sulzberger companies. Then the figures thus independently reached were compared directly with the bookkeeping profits shown by the financial statements of the companies.

The report in conclusion says that the National Packing company, mentioned as one of the "big six," is a merger of various packing plants, but except for that censoration there appears to be no general inter-ownership of stock among the six principal companies.

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PATRICK THYNE

Killed by Fall at His Home in Summer Street

Patrick Thyne, aged 50 years, fell down a flight of stairs at his home, 2 Quigley's court, off Summer street, early this morning, and after lying there for an hour or two was found by his mother. He was without the care of a doctor for over five hours and when a physician arrived he ordered the immediate removal of the injured man to St. John's hospital.

The exact time or how the accident occurred cannot be ascertained. Thyne slept in a room in the tenement occupied by his mother and several other members of the family. The tenement included rooms on the first, second and third floors, the injured man occupying a room on the third floor. In the room which he occupied four of his children slept. His wife died some years ago.

He had the tops of two of his fingers crushed in the foundry about a month ago which necessitated the removal of portions of the injured members.

Last night when Mrs. Thyne went to bed her son was not in and as was her custom she left a lamp burning at the head of the stairs to guide him to his room. Shortly after two o'clock this morning she heard moaning. Thinking that it came from the tenement on the first floor where a man was ill she paid little or no attention to it, but the continued moaning caused her to get up and walk into her front room which is directly beneath that occupied by one of her sons and his wife. After listening a while she learned that the moaning did not come from his room and then going into the hallway saw that the lamp was not there and felt confident that her son Patrick was in bed.

She went to bed, but had not been there long when she heard more moaning. Arising again she went to the floor above and entered the room occupied by her son and his four children. The lamp which she placed at the head of the stairs was burning on a table and the four children were asleep. Patrick's shoes and outer clothing were on a chair, but he was not in the room.

Going into an adjoining room she awakened her son and said she heard moaning about the house and that Patrick was not in yet.

In the lower hall Mrs. Thyne and her son discovered Patrick at the foot of the stairs with both his legs through the rungs of the bannister. He was clothed in his trousers, stockings and undershirt. He was carried to the kitchen on the floor above, where a bed was made on the floor and he was placed on it.

The case was not considered very serious by the members of the family until several hours later when he did not regain consciousness. Several doctors were summoned, but they were out. At 9 o'clock this morning he had not regained consciousness and the officer on the beat was notified. The officer immediately summoned the ambulance and upon the arrival of the latter the man was removed to St. John's hospital where upon examination it was found that he was in a precarious condition.

To a representative of The Sun, Mrs. Thyne says that she thinks her son upon retiring thought he forgot to bolt the front door and went down to close the door and losing his footing fell to the bottom of the stairs.

An examination at the hospital showed that he was suffering from a fracture of the skull, and despite the fact that the physicians did all possible to try to save his life, he passed away at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

FRESHET FEARED

On Account of the Great Amount of Ice

Householders living in lowlands on the banks of the river are becoming apprehensive over the spring prospect.

A well-known resident of Pawtucketville remarked last night: "The water will be up on the boulevard when that ice begins to break up."

There is more ice and snow on the Merrimack at the present time than has been seen there for several years and toward the end of the month when it begins to break, all breaking at once there is considerable danger of a freshet.

GRAND JURY LIST

Lowell Cases for Next Week's Sitting

The Middlesex grand jury will come in at the court house in Gorham street on Monday and Wednesday will be the day assigned for Lowell cases.

The Lowell list of cases is as follows: Thomas J. Connors and Mary Connors, adultery; James O'Malley, robbery; John J. Maguire, breaking and entering and larceny, 2 counts; Andrew Patchopoek, assault with knife; Arthur Marchand and Albert Coutre, breaking and entering and larceny; George Benacos, assault and battery, 2 counts; Alfred J. Prescott, breaking and entering and larceny, John Adonakos and Estavalos Paupacolos, assault and battery with a weapon dangerous to life; Edward McEnany, Chelmsford, assault with intent to murder; Wilfred Wilbur, adultery; Thomas H. Connors, breaking and entering and larceny, Dracut; George Sculley, manslaughter, Dracut.

TALBOT SCHOOL

AT NO. BILLERICA CLOSED ON ACCOUNT OF DIPHTHERIA.

The Talbot school in North Billerica was closed today and thoroughly fumigated as the result of a case of diphtheria in the family of Postmaster Maxwell, the child being a pupil at the school.

NOTICE

Today and tomorrow the Caswell Optical Co., 27 Bridge street, will examine eyes by the latest and most modern methods free of charge and will furnish glasses at greatly reduced prices.

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Mayor Casey will hold another conference with the Mawhinney Shoe Company within a few days. His Honor will not allow this grand opportunity to slip away from Lowell if he can help it.

MISS ALICE L. DONNELLY, teacher of piano, residence 36 Floyd st. Telephone connection.

DEATHS

GRIFFIN—Ellen Griffin, aged 62 years, died today at her home, 203 Fletcher street. The deceased is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Catherine McPhee.

HAD A FEW DRINKS

Private Detective Testified in Court

IN AN ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT CASE

Money Said to Have Been Taken

A case for alleged embezzlement worked up by Boston detectives against Robert E. Kenney an employe in the saloon of William W. Murphy was on trial today.

The detectives decoyed Kenney by false stories to Boston and there under threat of arrest on the charge of stealing from his employer forced Kenney to sign an agreement to pay Mr. Murphy $500. Later Kenney repudiated this agreement on the ground that it was secured under duress hence the suit.

Private detectives who worked on the case were witnesses for the government. John J. Hogan appeared for the commonwealth and Nathan D. Pratt for the defendant.

James R. Wood, Jr., of Boston was the first witness. His home is in Boston and he is engaged in the detective business. He said he was engaged by Mr. Murphy to work on the case.

Witness said he watched Kenney for one day and that during that time Kenney beat the register to the tune of $1.75. He gave a detailed account of how he reached this conclusion.

Mr. Wood said that on Jan. 31 he telphoned to Mr. Kenney and made arrangements to meet him in Boston.

"I telephoned to Kenney and told him I was Mr. Swift of Boston and that his name had been mentioned in an accident case and I wanted to interview him.

"I told him the story in order to inveigle him into coming to Boston. When he arrived at our office he was met by my father who explained to him that the story about the accident was a decoy and then my father stated the exact nature of his business."

Witness identified two bottles of liquor that a Mr. White, who is in the employ of his father, bought for Kenney and he said that Mr. Kenney put $1 less in the register than he received for the liquor.

"At first," witness said, "Mr. Kenney denied everything. My father called to me and I showed Kenney the tape that had been taken from the register, the same tape that was on the register when the liquor was purchased and the tape showed that $1 short.

"Kenney acknowledged taking 25 cents from a customer but he said he did that in order to save the 25 cents for the customer. Relative to the two bottles Kenney said he paid Mr. Murphy $1 for one of the bottles and put $1 in the register for the other bottle.

"I telephoned to Mr. Murphy and the latter came to our office and met Mr. Kenney. Mr. Murphy accused him of stealing from him and Kenney finally acknowledged that he had been stealing.

"Mr. Kenney said he had some money in the bank but did not know how much. He said his wife had the bank books and he telephoned for her. She came to Boston and while she was there Kenney offered to pay Mr. Murphy $500.

"Mr. Murphy told Mr. Kenney he did not think $500 enough but he agreed to take it. Later Mr. Kenney said he had two bank books, each representing more than $500."

An agreement drawn up in the office of the detective agency in Boston, signed by Kenney and his wife, in which Kenney turned over one of his bank accounts to Mr. Murphy, was submitted as evidence.

"Arrangements were made," said Mr. Wood, "for the party to go to Lowell and we went. Mrs. Kenney turned the bank-book over to me and, by request, Mr. Murphy allowed Mr. Kenney to continue at work for a few days."

On cross-examination Mr. Wood said that Kenney acknowledged that he had been taking a little money off and on since shortly after he went to work for Mr. Murphy, but did not know how much he had taken, and later he said he guessed he took between five and six hundred dollars.

"When asked what he had done with his money," said Mr. Wood, "Kenney replied that he did not know."

George C. Carney, treasurer of the Lowell Institution for Savings, was called by the government and submitted, as evidence, an order in favor of Mr. Murphy, calling for Mr. Kenney's bank-book and signed by Mr. Kenney.

On cross-examination witness said he had a paper in his possession notifying him not to recognize any order for Mr. Kenney's bank-book. The order was signed by Mr. Kenney and was submitted as evidence.

AFTERNOON RECESS.

Court adjourned, for dinner, at one o'clock and trial of the case was resumed at 2 o'clock. Mr. Wood Jr., was recalled and continued his testimony in cross examination, along the same line as that pursued in the forenoon.

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BEGGED FOR MERCY

Mob Threatened to Lynch Man Who Assaulted Girl

NEW YORK, March 3.—Led by an enraged father who asserted that the Syrian had attempted to maltreat his 11-year-old daughter, a howling and angry mob of 500 longshoremen dragged Assad H. Enchor from his room in the lower West side, placed a noose around his neck and was about to string him up today to a lamp-post when the police interfered. Enchor, who was almost fainting from terror and bruises inflicted by the longshoremen, begged piteously for the mercy of the mob, but the indignant men would not listen. He would have been lynched had not the police been attracted by his appeals and by the presence of the big crowd of longshoremen.

The policemen had to use their clubs frequently on the mob and were compelled to make a display of their revolvers before the crowd would desist from its intention of lynching Enchor. The police finally beat off the members and took Enchor to the station-house.

The father of the child whom Enchor is accused of attempting to maltreat is Michael Reagan, a longshoreman.

When Enchor was arraigned in court on a charge of assault Reagan shouted to the Syrian, "I'll get you some time and then I'll kill you!" The hearing of the charges against Enchor was put over until tomorrow.

As Enchor was being taken from the room, to prison, between two policemen Reagan struck him a heavy blow in the face that almost knocked him down. While Enchor shrank away from the furious man, the police hustled Reagan aside and took Enchor to prison.

HOUSES MARKED WITH RED CROSS

DATOUM, CAUCASUS, MARCH 3.—THE PAST NIGHT WAS DISTURBED BY FUSILADES IN SEVERAL QUARTERS.

A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS AWOKE THIS MORNING TO FIND THEIR HALL-DOORS MARKED WITH RED CROSSES.

CITY HALL NOTES

"Not even a case of measles," was the report at the health department office in City Hall this morning. The number of contagious diseases has been very small during the past few weeks.

A red hot argument took place in the corridor of City Hall on Tuesday night after the councilmanic meeting which led to a report down town yesterday to the effect that a passage at arms had taken place. The facts were that Councilman Hayes took Councilman Morse to task for something he had said about City Solicitor Hogan and while they were wrangling over it Councilman Dodge entered the discussion taking Mr. Morse's part. The discussion wound up with Councilman Hayes offering to "lick" his two colleagues but the councilmen held their hands and there were no jolts or jabs exchanged. Yesterday a report was about that a regular rough and tumble fight took place.

The seekers after jobs who have been patiently doing nothing for several weeks on the strength of a promise of something "when the committee on appropriations reports" are now in a state of suspense having read that the committee will report next Tuesday.

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Best New York Pea Beans, 7c qt.; 55c pk.
Choice Macaroni, 4 pkgs. 25c; 7c pkg.
Fancy Tomatoes, 3 cans 25c; 9c can
Choice Corn.....3 cans 25c; 10c can
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CALL TO RUSSIANS

To Defend Empire From Internal Enemies

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3.—The text of the Imperial manifesto, published by the Official Messenger today, calling on the country to rally around the throne in defence of the empire from its internal enemies, is as follows:

"An inscrutable Providence has been pleased to visit our fatherland with heavy trials. A bloody war in the Far East involving the honor of Russia and the command of the waters of the Pacific ocean, so urgently necessary to the consolidation of the peaceful prosperity, not only of our own, but of other Christian nations throughout the ages has imposed a great strain on the strength of the Russian people and has swallowed up many dear victims near to our heart. While the glorious sons of Russia are fighting with self-sacrificing bravery, risking their lives for their faith, for their emperor and for their country, disturbances have broken out in our own land to the joy of our enemies, and our own deep sorrow. Blinded by pride and evil minded leaders of a revolutionary movement, made insolent attacks on the holy Orthodox church and the lawfully established pillars of the Russian state, thinking that by severing the natural connection with the past they will destroy the existing order of the state and set up in its place a new administration on a foundation unsuitable to our fatherland. The outrage on the Grand Duke Sergius, who ardently loved the first capital of the empire and who met his end amidst the sacred monuments of the Kremlin, deeply shocks the national feelings of everyone to whom the honor of the Russian name and renown and his home are dear.

"We humbly bear the trials sent us by Providence and derive strength and consolation from our firm trust in the grace which God has always shown to the Russian power and from the immemorial devotion which we know our loyal people entertain for the throne.

"With the help of the prayers of the holy Orthodox church and under the banner of the autocratic might of the emperor, Russia has already frequently passed through great wars and disturbances, always issuing from her troubles and difficulties with fresh and unbeviled strength. Nevertheless the recent internal disorders and the instability of thought which have favored the spread of revolt and disturbances made it our duty to remind all those in the government institutions of their service oath and to call upon them to display increased solicitude in the safe-guarding of the law, order and security in firm conscientiousness of their moral responsibility as servants of the throne and of the fatherland.

"Thinking unceasingly of the welfare of our people and firmly trusting that God, after He has tried our patience, will give victory to our arms, we appeal to right-minded people of all classes to join us each in his calling and in his place in single-minded co-operation by word and deed in the great and sacred task of overcoming the stubborn foreign foe and eradicating the revolt at home in wise efforts to check the internal confusion. We wish to remind every one that if only there is tranquility of mind throughout the whole population, it is possible to realize our aims for a renewal of the quiet life of our people, strengthening the prosperity of the state and perfecting its administration.

"Let all those rally around the throne who were true to Russia's past, honestly and conscientiously have a care in accord with ourselves for every affair of state.

"May God send down on the clergy holiness, on those in authority, justice and truth, on the people, peace, on the laws, power, and on the faith, strength to the consolidation of the autocracy and the welfare of our dear subjects.

(Signed) "NICHOLAS."

MANY ARRESTS

MADE BY THE POLICE IN WARSAW.

WARSAW, March 3.—10.50 a. m. The police made numerous arrests in the course of the night, including Stanislas Lubiczki, editor of the Kurjer Codzienny. He is not believed to be connected with the agitation movement, but it is thought his arrest was ordered for his moral effect, Lubiczki being one of the best known persons in Warsaw.

The military and police patrols have been largely increased and are now stopping and searching person in the streets for revolvers.

INSURGENTS CAPTURE THREE TOWNS

CONSTANTINOPLE, MARCH 3—THE TOWNS OF AAB AND YERIM, SOUTHWARD OF SANAA, THE CAPITAL OF THE PROVINCE OF YEMEN, ARABIA, HAVE FALLEN INO THE HANDS OF THE INSURGENTS.

ALI RIZA PASHA WITH FIVE BATTALIONS OF TURKISH REINFORCEMENTS LEFT AKABA FEBRUARY 28 FOR HODEIDA.

PLANS DISCUSSED

But Committee and School Board Differ

IN MAKING CHOICE OF PLANS

Selection Postponed Until Another Meeting

The committee on education and the school board met at city hall to discuss the plans submitted by the different architects for a school house on Ennell street and disagreed on a choice.

The plans were numbered and that numbered "4" was thrown out as it had no specifications with it.

When the meeting was called to order the members who had previously inspected the plans spoke in favor of their choice and on informal ballot three votes were cast for plan "2", with plan "3" second with two votes while plan "5" had one vote.

Chairman Walker said he wanted contractors of repute to figure on the first and second choice. He thought that a fairer estimate of the buildings could be given if men of stability could have a look at the plans. Any plan which was for a building over $90,000 could not be considered, he said. He spoke of the insufficiency of appropriations for school buildings and cited the instance of the annex to the high school, the original appropriation for which was $29,500, but which cost the city $105,000.

On motion of Alderman Allen it was voted to authorize Supt. O'Connor to get estimates on the cost of buildings according to plans "2" and "3" and to have such estimates submitted to the committee next Thursday night, at 8 o'clock.

Chairman Duncan of the school board favored plan "3" and it was learned that the board unanimously favored that plan with six votes for plan "2" as second choice.

The committee will further discuss the matter next Thursday evening.

No Appetite

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CORONER'S INQUEST

INTO THE DEATH OF JOHN A. HART.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—The coroner's inquest into the death of John Hart, found murdered in his stateroom on the steamer Larchmont, February 19, was continued today. Chief Steward James Harrison of the boat making his deposition. Steward Dickerson, who found the body, concluded his evidence yesterday. Steward Harrison first described his duties aboard the boat and stated that none of the waiters obtained pass keys during the night.

In the dining saloon, where the passengers were eating supper, he noticed, especially, one whose meat was cut by the waiter who served him. He was told by the waiter that the man wore a bandage. Another came into the saloon and sat beside the first man. Harrison went to his room and retired at about 8 o'clock. He arose at 5 o'clock, and at about 9.30 noticed a man coming from the alcove. Afterwards he learned that the man was John K. Breeze, the passenger who occupied a room in the same passageway. He was the only person he saw during the voyage coming from the alcove.

The first Harrison heard of any wrong was when Dickerson came to him, after the boat had docked, and said:

"There's a dead man in one of my rooms."

He went to the room and saw what appeared to be a cut on the man's cheek from which blood had flowed freely.

INSURANCE ADJUSTORS

HAVE THREE MORE MEETINGS BEFORE THEM.

The Huntington hall insurance adjustors held another meeting today and were busy on diagrams in relation to the hall. The adjustors expect that three more meetings will finish their work. They meet on alternate days and their next meeting in all probability will be held on next Monday.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of Thomas F. Fanning, of 32 Stanley street, will be held tomorrow morning at 8.30 o'clock from the house. Mass at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock.

CIVIL MARRIAGE

Miss Porter Weds Dr. Edwin Mende

PARIS, March 3.—The civil marriage of Miss Elsie Porter, daughter of the American ambassador to Dr. Edwin Mende of Zurich, Switzerland, was performed this afternoon at the town hall of the municipality of the Passy quarter. The bride's witnesses were Gen.

MISS ELSIE PORTER.

Winslow and Clarence Porter. The groom's witnesses were Robert Westermann and Hans Boelke. Only members of the families and intimate friends were present. The mayor, who seldom officiates, personally conducted the ceremony which concluded with the presentation to the bride of a beautiful bouquet in behalf of the Passy quarter, in which the American embassy is situated.

WORKMEN'S DEMANDS

HAVE BEEN REJECTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 2.—The workmen's demands that the government pledge itself to release the 200 workmen who had been arrested since January 22 and ensure that the members of the mixed commission should have absolute freedom of speech and immunity of arrest on account of expression of opinions and that the proceedings of the commission should be published, have been rejected by the government as anticipated. Those who assembled at the people's palace today in accordance with yesterday's agreement found the meeting place closed and on the walls a notice placarded, signed by M. Schidlovski, president of the mixed commission, giving an evasive reply in regard to liberty of speech during the sessions of the commission while all the other demands of the workmen were negatived on the ground that he was not competent to give the guarantees demanded as the questions were outside his sphere.

The neighborhood was full of police, large numbers of whom were hidden in courts, doorways, alleys and buildings in the vicinity.

The workmen stood about in the snow discussing the situation quietly among themselves and finally decided to hold sectional meetings this afternoon to decide on the measures to be adopted before proclaiming a general strike and then dispersed.

RESIDENCE BURNED

LOSS ON THE PROPERTY IS $20,000.

PORTLAND, Maine, March 3.—The residence of Geo. E. Edwards, a real estate dealer, was totally destroyed by fire early today. The total loss on the building and contents was estimated at $20,000, with a partial insurance. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and others in the house barely escaped, so quickly did the flames spread. Their residence in same site was burned to the ground five years ago.

BRITISH CLAIMS

RUSSIA ASKED TO PAY $325,000 FOR NORTH SEA INCIDENT.

LONDON, March 3.—The British claims as a result of the North sea incident, on the night of Oct. 21-22, as finally submitted to Russia total $325,000. This amount, it is understood, will be paid in a few days without demurrer.

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CREEM IN COURT

Charged With Receiving Stolen Property

McFARLANE GOT A SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Several Drunks Were Sent Away

Harry Creem, 21, was arraigned in police court today on a complaint charging him with receiving stolen property and pleaded not guilty. John J. Harvey appeared for the defendant and the case was continued to Tuesday.

Creem was arrested by Inspectors Maher and Lafiamme and his arrest was due to the discovery, by these two inspectors, of two barrels of trolley wire at the Thorndike street freight house about two weeks ago. Creem admitted buying the wire from two men in Tewksbury, paying them $25 for the lot. He did not know the men, he said, and they had a team loaded with wire. He has given the police a description of the men who sold him the wire.

WAS STOLEN PROPERTY.

James Sunderland and Bernard Harrity, two small boys, pleaded guilty to the larceny of a copper coffee tank. The boys fathers were in court and made arrangements to settle with the owner of the tank. The boys broke the tank into pieces and sold it to Joseph Normando. The latter was arraigned for receiving stolen property and was ordered to pay a fine of $15.

TOOK JUNKMAN'S CART.

Michael Boyle, Ernest Tucker and Philip Tibbets were charged with stealing junk and it was also alleged that, after taking the junk, they pushed the cart into the river.

Philip Tibbets received a suspended sentence to the Lyman school and the cases of the other two were continued one week.

STOLE SOME MONEY.

John J. McFarland was charged with the larceny of $29 from Marie and Regina Paquette. His case came on continuance the case having been continued with the understanding that he would pay back the money. He did not live up to his agreement and was re-arrested. Mr. Farland was given a suspended sentence to the reformatory.

THE DRUNKEN OFFENDERS.

Eugene Cote, jail two months; Alice F. Quigley, house of correction five months; Kyriakos was fined $6 and four first offenders were fined $2 each.

FINAL STATEMENT

CANNOT BE GIVEN OUT YET SAYS SHEA.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 3.—Timothy Shea, second vice-grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and some members of the adjustment committee of the Brotherhood were in consultation at Hotel Garden today regarding the negotiations for the adjustment of differences with the management of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

"The situation has not reached a point where we can give out a final statement," said Mr. Shea, "but you can say that we hope this affair is in a fair way to a settlement."

Mr. Shea added that later in the day there probably would be a conference between representatives of the adjustment committees of the two brotherhoods, but that the committees would not b eready to call upon the railroad officials with a view to getting the company's sanction of the settlement plan before tomorrow.

FOUND IN CELLAR

MAN DESPONDENT BECAUSE OF ILLNESS COMMITTED SUICIDE.

MALONE, N. Y., March 3—Despondent because of illness, D. D. Hemenway who came here from Fitchburg, Mass., a few weeks ago, has committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. His body was found in the cellar of a store in which he recently purchased a half interest. He was about 41 years of age and leaves a wife and one child.

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THE ROSS JEWELS

Found In Providence Pawn Shops

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—It is known that on last Monday the local police recovered several articles of jewelry in local pawn shops which have been identified as the property of Mrs. Hannah Ross, who met death under suspicious circumstances at Montclair, N. J., on Feb. 23. The description given by the pawnbrokers establishes the fact that the man who brought the jewelry here corresponds to that of Robert Harris, the missing coachman.

The jewelry recovered consisted of a ring set with two diamonds and an opal, and an old fashioned gold watch, both of which were identified as Mrs. Ross's property.

It was admitted by Chief of Police Matthews that the police here have been quietly searching for a man in connection with the Montclair murder and the man for whom search is being made is Benjamin Pettis of Attleboro, Mass., who is known to have been in the vicinity of Newark, N. J., for the past two years, but who appeared at his mother's home in Attleboro two days after the murder, disappearing for parts unknown the following day. The police state their belief that Pettis, Harris and the man who pawned the jewels are one and the same person, the description in each case tallying very closely.

THE EMPEROR

WILLING TO HEAR COMPLAINTS OF THE PEOPLE.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3—An Imperial decree commands that "in order that it may be possible for all our loyal subjects to be heard directly by the emperor" the council presided over by the emperor shall examine and consider in His Majesty's name all the views and wishes that may be received from private persons and institutions regarding perfecting the administration of the state and the improvement of the welfare of the people.

BROKEN PISTON

BRITISH STEAMER MET WITH AN ACCIDENT.

NEW YORK, March 3—A wireless message from Nantucket lightship today, reported the British steamer Korrinia passing the lightship at 7 o'clock this morning with a broken piston. There is no record of any steamer of that name in the marine registers and the dispatch from Nantucket suggested that perhaps the steamer might be the new Cunard liner Corronia. It is believed however that it would be impossible for the Corronia to have reached the lightship at that time as she sailed from Queenstown on Sunday last and is not expected before tomorrow. It is probable that the vessel was the British steamer Korrinia which sailed from Shields, Feb. 6 for New York.

STRONG PROTEST

AGAINST HOLDING BOXING CONTESTS IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, March 3—A petition protesting the holding of national amateur boxing championship matches scheduled for next Monday evening in this city was filed today with the Boston police board. The petitioners include many clergymen and contain among other names those of Vicar General Wm. Byrne of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Boston, Katherine L. Stevenson of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and W. H. Howells, representing the Brighton Public Order League. The petitioners claim that the exhibition would be in violation of chapter 267 of the revised statutes, under which the Massachusetts supreme court yesterday decided that sparring matches to which the public is admitted, by whatever method, are illegal.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

ONE WILL BE ERECTED IN MILLBURY.

MILLBURY, Mass., March 3.—Plans have been completed for the erection of the first parochial school in this vicinity upon the grounds of the Church of the Assumption in this town, this spring. The school, which will accommodate 200 pupils, will be for the use of the French speaking children of the parish.

DUN'S REVIEW

GIVES ENCOURAGEMENT ON BUSINESS SITUATION.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Dispatches to Dun's Review tell much that is encouraging regarding the business situation. Evidence of a good spring trade is more numerous at Boston, where manufacturers are receiving large orders, and the dry goods jobbing trade is well distributed.

Bank exchanges this week are the largest ever reported, the total for all leading cities in the United States being $3,315,524,415, a gain of 84.8 per cent. compared with last year and 50.2 per cent. over 1903.

BOSTON MARKET

STEADY AND QUIET AT THE OPENING.

BOSTON, March 3.—The Boston market was steady and generally quiet at the opening today. Shortly after the opening a selling pressure developed in Utah which carried the price down to 40⅝, off 1⅜. The selling price based on the statement of one of the leading interests that there is disappointment over the showing of the mines at the lower levels. In the general copper list the tone was fairly firm though very little disposition to trade was noticeable.

Business in the early dealings was again largely confined to the arbitrage stocks, the market for which it made in New York. The feature was the advance in Dominion Iron and Steel to 21¾ up 1⅜.

LIBERAL ELECTED.

LONDON, March 3.—The by-election yesterday in the Appleby or north division of Western Ireland due to the resignation of Richard Rigg, who seceded from the Liberals on the fiscal question, resulted in the return of Leif Jones, Liberal, by a majority of 220.

MANY STRANGERS

Everything Ready for the Inaugural

FULL PROGRAM OF THE EVENTS

Inaugural Concert Will be Held Monday

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Washington today is in readiness for tomorrow's inauguration of President Roosevelt. Thousands of persons from almost every state in the union are pouring into Washington and the streets and hotels are crowded with strangers. All the masse of plans worked out in detail by a small army of committees among whom the labors were divided are complete, the city is in holiday attire and all that is now needed is the propitious weather that has proved so often the uncertain factor in the inauguration scheme. The time card for the inaugural events are, closely as can be scheduled, as follows:

10 a. m.—President leaves White House for capitol with his personal escort.

10.30 to 12 noon—President remains in his room adjoining the senate chamber and passes on measures passed at the last hour and awaiting his action.

12 noon—President takes seat in senate chamber in front of vice president's desk.

12.15—President pro tempore of the senate administers the oath to Mr. Fairbanks as vice president.

12.30—New senators sworn in.

1.00—President Roosevelt takes the oath on the stand at east front of the capitol.

1.15—President Roosevelt reads his inaugural address.

1.29 to 1.30—President Roosevelt concludes his inaugural address and starts for White House, and parade, in which approximately 30,000 men, according to the committee's estimate, will be in line, begins to march.

Parade halts at head of Pennsylvania avenue to allow president to take luncheon and reach reviewing stand.

2.00—President at luncheon.

2.45—President enters reviewing stand and begins review of the parade.

5.30—Parade ends.

7.30—Inaugural ball committees assemble. Fireworks begin.

8.00—Pension hall opened for inaugural ball.

8.45—Fireworks conclude.

9.00—Grand march at the ball.

12, midnight—Ball ends.

Monday night—Grand inaugural concert.

Everywhere decorations abound. Pennsylvania avenue along which the thousands of troops and civic organizations will march tomorrow is a solid mass of color, hung from roofs and windows, while red, white and blue cover the reviewing stands, which line both sides of the avenue. Thousands of flags are flying and most of the business establishments have decorated their buildings for the occasion. The great feature of the grand pageant is at the plaza formed by Pennsylvania avenue between the White House grounds, the treasury building and the state, war and navy buildings on the south side and Lafayette park and the two blocks of buildings flanking it on the north side. There the whole space is virtually enclosed by handsomely equipped reviewing stands and the plaza is transformed into a "court of history." This court extends for four blocks, flanked on either side by artistic high corinthian columns and great bamboo poles with arrow peaks that point far above the roofs of the stands. These columns and poles were brought from the World's Fair at St. Louis.

In the centre of the south side of the plaza, directly north of the White House is the president's reviewing stand with accommodations for 1200 people invited to witness the spectacle with the president. Directly opposite it is another stand on which the grand marshal and members of the republican national committee will review the parade, and on whose succession of tiers of seats 6200 people can sit. In all concentrated on these stands overlooking this arena perhaps 15,000 people will be gathered. All the stands have been made to blend in one scheme of color and design with figured balustrades and harmonious arrangement of the stars and stripes.

Throughout the line of march reviewing stands have been built on nearly every block on both sides and every window in every building along the route will be packed with spectators. Every available officer and private of the regular police force will be on duty and 450 special policemen have been employed. Many detectives and police officers have been brought here from outside cities to aid in the maintenance of order and in the detection of crooks. The roping off the avenue has already been arranged for and at half past eight o'clock tomorrow morning a continuous line of rope and wire will have been stretched from end to end of the line of march and an army of policemen will be patrolling within the lines to keep the crowds on the sidewalks.

THE QUINCY STRIKE

MAY BE SETTLED IN A FEW DAYS.

QUINCY, Mass., March 3.—The hope was entertained by business men here today that the strike of 1200 employes of the Granite quarries which has been on three days would be settled within a short time. The most encouraging development in the situation today was the announcement that the state board of conciliation and arbitration had sent a representative to interview each side and that both manufacturers and cutters had agreed to have their conference committees meet in the presence of members of the state board this afternoon.

INCREASE CABIN RATES.

LONDON, March 3.—A conference of the directors of the trans-Atlantic steamship lines today agreed to increase the cabin rates. The details have not transpired. The Cunard line which is represented by Lord Inver Clyde, the chairman of the company, is participating in the conference which is still in session.

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LATEST

LOSSES ARE HEAVY

Two Desperate Assaults on Poutiloff Hill Repulsed

SAKHETUN, Manchuria, March 3.—Stubborn fighting has been in progress all day long.

Four Japanese divisions are about 11 miles west of Mukden.

The Japanese today made two infantry attacks on Poutiloff hill but were repulsed. They have resumed the bombardment of the hill.

The Japanese attacked the Russian extreme left wing at two points as well as at Gauto pass, where during the morning the fortifications previously abandoned were recaptured by the Russians.

The bombardment of the Russian positions on the left and right flanks continued while the Japanese swept Poutiloff (Lone Tree) hill with at least 2500 shells from siege guns and mortars, the latter projectiles being recognizable by their enormous explosive force and massive splinters.

Towards evening the Japanese advanced on the right wing where stubborn fighting continues.

Though the Japanese are pushing forward, on the left bank of the Hun river, the Russians are maintaining a stubborn defence.

The four Japanese divisions engaged in the turning movement on the Russian right of the Liao river today reached Swanipu, about 11 miles west of Mukden but the Russian reinforcements were sent out and checked the advance.

A Japanese attack on the positions east of Erdagou at 4 o'clock this morning, was repulsed.

Under cover of the artillery fire and a mist the Japanese opened an infantry attack on Pouailoff hill at 7 o'clock this morning, but were beaten off by desolating fire of the Russian guns. A second attack at noon was similarly repulsed, after which the Japanese resumed the bombardment of the hill with siege guns preparatory to making a fresh assault. General Nogi's Port Arthur veterans are participating in the present fighting. The losses on both sides are heavy but the results are indecisive.

The report that a detachment of Japanese cavalry has appeared at Sinmintin is confirmed.

GENERAL KUROPATKIN MAY RETREAT

LONDON, March 3.—A despatch from Tokio to the Daily Telegraph states that the Japanese are endeavoring to force a decisive battle in Manchuria, but that it is feared General Kuropatkin will retreat, fighting a rear guard action.

Reports from the Shakhe river indicate, says the correspondent, that the Russian morale is seriously impaired and there are numerous voluntary surrenders not only of Poles and Jews, but of recently arrived European troops. They relate that rumors are current in the army that General Kuropatkin has been recalled and knowledge of the internal troubles in Russia cause a deep impression in the army.

Reports at Tokio, but not confirmed officially, are to the effect that the Japanese have occupied Skahallen.

JAPANESE READY TO MAKE ATTACK

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, March 1.—10 a. m., via Fusan (delayed in transmission)—The Japanese are moving north, taking position The main force this morning with the troops on the east bank of the river Hun advanced under the cover of a heavy bombardment on Chantan and neighboring villages, reaching a point 100 metres from the Russian trenches. They are now holding theposition, awaiting a favorable opportunity to attack.

RUSSIAN ATTACK EASILY REPULSED

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, Feb. 28, 5 p. m. (Delayed in transmission)—The Russians have been very active for several days, evidently expecting the Japanese to move. That portion of the Japanese line lying west of the railway has been continuously bombarded night and day with heavy guns as well as field guns. The left wing, following the example of the extreme right, moved forward, driving in the outposts and occupying a line running from Shotzemun to Kalama on the east bank of the Liao river, 12 miles north of the Shakhe river. This completely blocked any attempt of the Russians to turn the Japanese left. It is probably that the commencement of a general battle is only a matter of hours. The Russians are spending the days heavily bombarding the Japanese lines and at night making small attacks on many points, sending out detachments of one or two companies.

All the attacks are easily repulsed by the Japanese who are suffering no serious loss. The most serious attack occurred last night, when five companies of Russian infantry desperately assaulted Tamuting, which has been attacked a score of times since the battle of the Shakhe. After a desperate fight lasting one hour and a half, the Russians were repulsed. They left behind 60 dead and some prisoners. A severe bombardment is continuing today, the Russians using additional heavy guns, but firing blindly. The Japanese are responding lightly. There is every evidence that both sides are preparing for what may prove the decisive battle of the war. Probably fully a million men will be ready to move when the battle is joined.

The battle must be fought before a general thaw comes, making the roads impassable for several weeks. The Japanese troops are in excellent health and spirits despite the long winter of unaccustomed cold. A few Russian soldiers are surrendering daly, the number being largely increased the last few days.

RUSSIANS ENTRAPPED BY THE JAPANESE

GEN. KUROKI'S HEADQUARTERS, March 2, via Fusan—The battle is progressing favorably for the Japanese, although a snow storm is swirling over the hilltops. The gunners get glimpses of their targets only when the clouds lift a few moments. The Japanese made great gains by night, advancing against the Russian position on the extreme left and they occupy a part of the first line of the triple line of defences in the hill beyond the Shakhe. The Russian trenches here run northeast of the crests of the low line of hills, following the bend of the river. The main defence lines are higher in the hills beyond. The Japanese right forces pushing forward under cover of night gained Ofurel and Taka mountain, surprising the Russians and meeting with but little opposition.

At Ofurel the Japanese found trenches encircling the hill. They attacked from three sides and entrapped the Russians, capturing 60. These were partly dressed in Chinese clothes and looked as though they had been leading a hard life.

The Japanese forces directly west of Waitao mountain took advanced positions close to the river during the night. A tremendous bombardment is being made westward today.

Great clouds of smoke are ascending near the Wanpaosan hills, where the Japanese fire is directed. The cannonading about Waitao mountain was suspended this morning. The Japanese right is shelling the Russian works on the higher hills and at noon the Japanese batteries near Waitao mountain resumed work, co-operating with them. On Tuesday 60 Russian guns were working. Opposite Waitao mountain yesterday there were only 30. The Japanese casualties in the right army have been very few compared with the results gained. Those regiments camping in the open ground or making night attacks, muffled in heavy clothes, are put to the hardest tests that soldiers could endure.

GENERAL BATTLE IS IN PROGRESS

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3, 5.30 p. m.—According to the latest information from the front, the battle is now general and of the most desperate character. The losses have been exceedingly heavy on both sides during the preliminary fighting. Although it is not officially admitted, it is regarded as certain that General Kuropatkin is directing all his efforts to the withdrawal of his army to Tie pass.

The Japanese have not only driven in his left, but a column is already reported to have crossed the Hun river east of Fushun. At the same time the Japanese are pressing the Russian center under cover of the fire of their siege guns and Gen. Kuropatkin is gradually retiring before the Japanese advance. The efforts of the Japanese to envelop the Russian right wing have been unsuccessful but it has been forced back almost on a line with Mukden. Two Russian divisions were dispatched to head off the wide flanking column advancing from the Liao river towards Sinmintin, about 30 miles west of Mukden, but according to the latest advices they were too late, the Japanese having entered the town yesterday.

No official figures regarding the losses are obtainable, but according to unofficial reports the Russian losses up to last night were nearly 7000 men.

Gen. Rennenkampff particularly distinguished himself during the fighting in the mountain passes southeast of Mukden.

RUSSIAN OFFICER HAS BEEN KILLED

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3.—A dispatch from Gen. Kuropatkin, dated March 2, says:

"Our detachment at Onbenpusa holds its position. The commander of the advance guard, Nogelko, has been killed.

A detachment of the right flank near Kudaza has repulsed an attack by the Japanese whose losses were enormous. One company was annihilated.

"The heights commanding the entire plain near Tomaguchen enter alternately changing hands, have been definitely occupied by our troops.

"The Japanese attack on our right flank has been repulsed.

"At 7 a.m. the Japanese advanced on Poutiloff (Lone Tree) hill but were repulsed.

"Our losses yesterday were insignificant."

RUSSIAN GUNS UNABLE TO RESPOND

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, March 1, Noon, Via Fusan, (Delayed in transmission)—The Japanese this morning opened a terrific bombardment, the entire line using enormous guns, the heaviest yet used. The Japanese fire was directed against the Russian defenses of the villages on both sides of the railway and great damage was done. One hundred guns of all sizes took part in the bombardment. The Russain guns were quiet for the first time in months. Evidently they were unable to respond.

STOCK MARKET

Today's Quotations on Active Stocks

The following are the closing quotations of today's stock market for active stocks:

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Am Sugar	140⅝
Am Sugar pfd	139⅞
A & T	89¼
A & T pfd	102¾
*B & O	109
*B & O pfd	97
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	66⅛
Chi & Gt W	22⅞
C M St & P	177½
C R & P	35
C R & P pfd	80¼
Con Gas	212¾
Del & Hud	190
Erie R R	47¾
Erie 1st	82
Gen Elec	167½
Manhat Con	170¾
Mo Kan & Tex	32¾
Mo Kan & Tex pfd	66½
Met St Ry	123¼
Mis Pac	108⅝
N Y Cen	155
N Y Ont & W	54⅞
Penn	142⅝
People's Gas	109¼
So Pac	69⅝
Reading	94⅝
Reading pfd	92½
Reading 2d pfd	90
Tex & Pac	38¾
Union Pac	132½
Union Pac pfd	100
U S Steel	35⅞
U S Steel pfd	95½
Wabash	22⅞
Wabash pfd	46
W U Telegraph	91
U S Leather	11½
U S Leather pfd	104

BOSTON STOCKS.

Adventure	6¼
Amalgamated	77⅝
American Wool	25¼
American Wool pfd	99¾
Am el & Tel	145¼
Arcadia	1½
Atlantic	16
Anaconda	26
Anaconda	109½
Allouez	22¾
B & Maine	175½
Bingham	31
Boston	67⅞
Calumet & Hecla	675
Centennial	19
Chicago Junction	177
Chicago Junction pfd	132
Copper Range	70⅞
Dom Steel	21¾
Dom Coal	69¾
Dom Coal pfd	114
Daly-West	17¾
Elm River	3
Elevated	166
Fitchburg	143
Franklin	10½
Granby	5¾
Greene	28½
Mass	12¾
Mass Gas	43½
Mass Gas pfd	82½
Mass Electric	16¾
Mass Electric pfd	63
Mayflower	1
Mex Cen	24¾
Michigan	13¾
M C & C	4
Mohawk	53¾
N E Tel	136½
Osceola	94
N Y, N H & H R R	206½
Old Colony Mine	1¼
Old Colony R R	209
Old Dominion	26½
Shannon	7¾
Royal	24
Rhode Island	2
Tamarack	127
Parrott	29
Quincy	105
Sante Fe	2¾
Trinity	10¾
United States Oil	9⅞
United States	25
Utah	40½
Victoria	4¾
Winona	14
Wolverine	115
Western Tel	20½
Western Tel pfd	102
West End	92
West End pfd	115
Wyandotte	2¼

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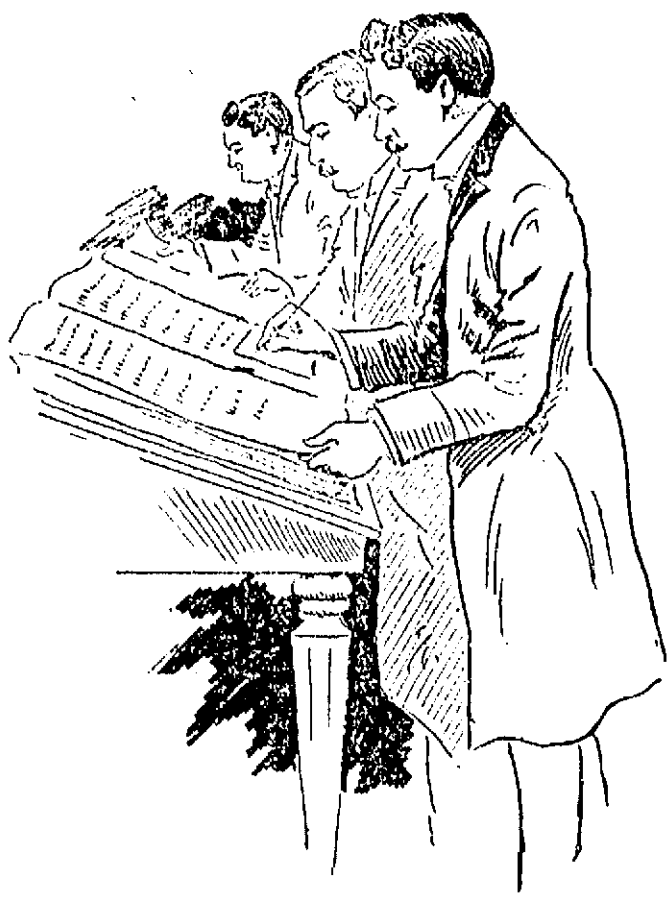
ANOTHER MEETING



MEMBERS OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE EXAMINING THE TAX BOOKS AT THE CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Committee on Appropriations Sifted Pauper Dept.

At its meeting at city hall last evening, the committee on appropriations voted to instruct the assessors to raise by taxation $1,291,900 during the present year, an amount about $10,000 less than was raised by last year's committee. It was also voted to submit its report to the city council next Tuesday night and will, therefore, meet again on Monday night next to prepare the report.

Mayor Casey's veto of the order for the certified lists of delinquent taxpayers was accepted graciously by the committee, the members being satisfied to act upon the mayor's suggestion and look over the books in the treasurer's office.

The overseers of the poor were heard, some of them blaming Dr. Donlan for the extravagance of the department while others had a good word to say for him. Quite a number of citizens attended the meeting, expecting something spicy from the overseers but nothing developed.

When the meeting was called the "chairman" of the overseers was invited to speak first and Mr. McCoy took the floor. Mr. Eastman was present but remained silent. Mr. McCoy was asked relative to the statement of Dr. Donlan that the overseers were responsible for the large pay roll. He replied that he had only sent two men to work there in his four years of service. He was asked if the help could not be reduced 30 per cent. If it were not for the fact that the overseers insisted upon keeping men to work and he replied that he did not know.

"Gen." Shields offered a few remarks directed against Dr. Donlan and a letter was read from the latter in which he informed the committee that Mr. Shields' attack was a personal one as the result of the latter's failure to secure employment at the city farm under the present administration.

Mr. Morse of the committee thought that a livery stable could furnish an ambulance service cheaper than the city. He thought $1 per call was a sufficient amount to pay.

Mr. McManus was asked his idea as to expenses and he didn't have any.

"I don't know much about them," said the overseer, "because they won't let me in. I couldn't get a man a job there if I tried."

Mr. Shields said that the farm should maintain itself. "The trouble is," said Mr. Shields, "we haven't a competent farmer up there."

Councilman McAloon asked if Avery Marshal, the boss farmer, did not know his business and the reply was that Mr. Marshal is satisfactory.

The question was asked as to why the cost per inmate had increased 100 per cent. in about three years but none of the overseers could explain.

Mr. Foye said there were times when poor cases were reported to the overseers. He paid Dr. Donlan a compliment upon the administration of the city hospital, emphasizing the value of a physician constantly present at that institution. The presence of a registered pharmacist there was also referred to by Mr. Foye.

Mr. McCoy said the board was familiar with the expenses of the department only in a general way. He denied that the overseers hired and discharged help.

Mr. Eastman said the expense at the farm ought to be materially reduced. Less help should be employed. He said it was possible to reduce expenses if five votes were obtainable.

Continuing, Mr. Eastman said:

"I have seen many pitiable cases in ward 6, cases deserving attention. As late as 11 o'clock at night I have been called to assist a family. I have in mind one case where the father and mother were sick and the children were crying for bread. I have gone down into my pocket at different times to help such people."

Mr. Foye said there are 28 men now on the pay roll, making a weekly wage list of $255.

Mr. Shields addressed the committee again concerning Dr. Donlan's "coachman" and a fireman who hasn't a license.

Mr. McCoy was asked as to the superintendent's ability and he replied that Dr. Donlan is a competent official and has wrought great changes at the institution.

Overseer Shepard said it was up to the superintendent to act in regard to the reduction of help as the overseers had no authority. Mr. McCoy and others said that they would vote for a reduction in help. The overseers were then excused.

City Solicitor Hill appeared before the committee with a request for an appropriation to meet the expense of hearings on the grade crossing matter. The committee thought this a proper subject for the city council to consider.

Mayor Casey's veto message was then read.

Dear Sir:—I would respectfully urge the members of the committee on appropriations to endeavor to submit their report to the city council next Tuesday evening if possible. Some departments will have exhausted one-sixth of their appropriation next week, and in accordance with the provisions of the ordinances will be unable to incur any more expense until the regular appropriation is granted.

I am unable to understand why the committee should withhold its report until information is obtained relative to delinquent taxpayers. While I commend the committees' activity in this respect, yet the committee must know that no additional revenue can be obtained from this source upon which to base appropriations.

I feel that the committee should be informed of my attitude in relation to the joint order passed by the city council, entitled "Order directing the city treasurer and collector of taxes to furnish joint committee on appropriations with certain information". This order I consider unnecessary. It entails expense that can well be avoided, and the desired information can be obtained if the committee will visit the city treasurer's office, where the books are open for inspection. I have conferred with the city treasurer, and he informs me the books are at the disposal of the committee in his office, and that he will render every assistance possible to the committee. In view of these facts I feel that inasmuch as the committee can obtain the same information as is requested in the order without the consequent follow delay and expense, that the committee should visit the treasurer's office for the information desired.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES H. CASEY,
Mayor.

It was voted to report on next Tuesday and it was voted not to grant increases in salaries to Charles C. Wilson and James S. O'Sullivan, clerks in the city treasurer's office. The treasurer was allowed the amount of his estimate for sundries.

The committee voted to order the assessors to raise by taxation $1,291,900, an amount about $19,000 less than last year. The total expense was placed at $1,678,951.93.

The committee adjourned until Monday night, when the final meeting will be held.

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And a full complement of the most approved styles are now ready at the Hat Corner.

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DEATHS

QUINN—Mrs. Ann Quinn, aged 52 years, died at the home of her daughter, 20 Chamber street, this morning. She was the wife of Maurice J. Quinn and an old and esteemed resident of St. Patrick's parish.

POTTER—In Malden, March 1, Joseph W. Potter, aged 39 years, 10 months. Besides a widow, he leaves three children, Mrs. Olive Leckling of Malden, Mrs. Blanche Niblock of Brookline and Wm. H. Potter of Lowell.

MAXWELL—Charles Maxwell, aged 65 years, died in Tewksbury, yesterday. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker Savage.

DOHERTY—Catherine E. Doherty, aged 26, a well known and highly respected young lady of this city passed away this morning at the home of her parents, 114 Agawam street. The deceased was the daughter of Joseph and Mary and was a prominent and devout member of the Sacred Heart church, being interested in the work of the church. Besides her father and mother she is survived by a sister, Marion and a host of friends.

FUNERALS

MURPHY—The funeral of the late Nell Murphy will take place tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the funeral parlors of Funeral Directors A. H. Bixby & Co., 318 Merrimack street. Friends invited.

DONNELLY—The funeral of the late Rose Donnelly took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 53 Kinsman street was was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased, including a large number from out of town. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church, in Gorham street where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at nine o'clock by Rev. W. George Mullin. The choir was in attendance and sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by the members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. Daniel McAbee, Frank Gallagher, John Cox and Peter McCusker. The interment was in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. The funeral was under the direction of funeral directors John J. O'Connell & Co.

MORAN—Gertrude Moran, aged 26 years, died of appendicitis, at Worcester Monday afternoon. The funeral services were held at St. John's church in Worcester Wednesday afternoon and the remains were brought to this city for interment yesterday afternoon, the interment being in the family lot in the Edson cemetery.

The deceased was formerly Miss Gertrude Ashworth of 74 Chambers street this city and leaves to mourn her loss a husband, James C. Moran and a girl three years old, Mabel Moran. The funeral was under the direction of Undertaker J. A. Weinlock.

RUSSIAN LOSSES HAVE BEEN HEAVY

MUKDEN, March 3.—A ceaseless artillery fire is heard 10 miles southward. The roar of the guns is becoming more distinct every hour.

The Russian losses during the last five days have been heavy.

ABELS' ATTRACTIONS

Corset Covers, trimmed with lace or embroidery .....2 for 25c

Fancy Trimmed Corset Covers, choice of eight styles.....25c

Ladies' Drawers of strong cloth, cut full, with deep-tucked lace trimmed ruffle 21c

"Saxon" Corsets, a 50c value....39c

"Saxon" Corsets, extension hip and hose supporters 49c

2000 yds. New Torchon Laces .....2½c to 5c yd.

Point-de-Paris Laces, match sets, ...8c to 10c yd.

All-Over Laces, 18 inches wide, ...25c to 95c yd.

New Venice Lace Collars, 50c to $1.50

New "Val" Laces, ...12 yds. for 25c, 6 yds. for 15c.

Infants' White Silk Bonnets, ...25c, 39c, 49c, etc.

Infants' Long Cloaks and Coats, Spring styles .....98c up

Standard Patterns for March on Sale. Embroidery Stamping done.

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Merrimack, Cor. Kirk Street

TABLE TUMBLERS 2c EACH

1 Dozen Given Away with 1 lb. of our 60c Tea or 1 lb. of Baking Powder.

N. B.—We roast our Coffee fresh every day.

227 Central St. O'Brien Bros TEA DEALERS 227 Central St.

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FOR WOMEN

A magnificent and definite gathering of perfect fitting and correctly tailored garments, with a wide and varied selection of the newest and prettiest color and pattern effects you will see this season. Each individual garment is a study of perfect tailoring and becoming style that you should examine and judge for yourself.

We invite your inspection, and will gladly show you the greatest selection of values it is possible to offer.

Top Coats and Spring Overcoats

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Made in the men's wide shoulder cut to fit the wide shoulder suits now so popular. These late styles are not found everywhere. We also show the newest colorings in fine coverts and fancy mixtures. Strictly reliable values.

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FIFTY ESCAPED

Employes Were Warned of Danger

FIRE IN WHOLESALE DRY GOODS DISTRICT

Three Alarms Sounded in New York

NEW YORK, March 3.—Fire which started in a six-story building in the wholesale dry goods district at Hudson and Church streets today, gained headway so rapidly that when the apparatus called out by three alarms, reached the scene the whole building was in flames and a second building in the rear had taken fire. The building in which the fire started was occupied by the Merchants Rubber company and Theodore Ollesheimer & Brother, manufacturers of willow ware.

Fifty employes of the Ollesheimer firm who were at work on the upper floors of the building were warned of their danger soon after the fire started and all escaped without injury.

Flames from the burning building shot up into the air to a great height and this, together with great volumes of smoke which rolled away and spread over that section of the city, brought an immense throng of people to the scene. Even before the last piece of fire apparatus arrived, the crowd was far beyond the control of the police and extra fire patrols and reserves from nearby stations were called out to preserve order. The Sixth and Ninth avenue elevated lines pass within a short distance of the fire and the arrival of every down town train added hundreds to the crowd which pressed around the closely guarded fire lines.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

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MEATS AND PROVISIONS.

STRUCK BY AUTO

AARON BLANCHARD WAS KNOCKED DOWN IN MERRIMACK SQUARE.

Aaron Blanchard an aged man who resides in Belvidere was knocked down by an automobile in Merrimack Square this morning and fortunately escaped serious injury. The driver of the auto was Dr. Hayden H. Pillsbury and those who were eye witnesses to the affair say that the doctor was entirely blameless and that the auto was proceeding at a slow rate when the man was struck.

Mr. Blanchard was thrown to the ground and Officer Ryan ran to his assistance. Dr. Pillsbury stopped his auto and went to see if the man was in need of medical attendance but Mr. Blanchard said that "all it did was to knock the wind out of me."

MONTHLY COFFEE PARTY.

Once a year the men of Grace church run the monthly coffee party. Last evening's function was the fourth annual social given by the men of this church. Henry H. Harris was chairman of the committee of arrangements and was assisted by Harlan P. Goodale and C. Arthur Abbott. The hosts were W. N. Goodale and John W. Stott, who were aided by a corps of efficient waiters, gentlemen of the church, over thirty in number, and they presented a natty appearance in their white coats and aprons.

The menu was served at 6 o'clock, and included escalloped oysters, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, baked beans, sliced ham, celery, hot rolls, cake and coffee. After the supper the company repaired to the chapel where the North Chelmsford Grant school band entertained by well rendered selections. Mr. Bert Bedell gave vocal solos, and Miss Clara Mitchell read very acceptably. A candy table was in charge of Miss Mabel and Miss Addie Howes, and Mrs. Samuel Bigelow was chairman of the apron table. About 200 were present to supper.

FOUND DEAD

WOMAN WAS REPORTED TO BE WEALTHY.

PITTSFIELD, March 3.—Lying on the edge of her bed, partly dressed, Mrs. Mary Haynor, residing in an isolated house on the Hancock road, was found dead by her nephew, Charles Mathes, late yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Haynor had evidently died of a hemorrhage Wednesday evening after 8 o'clock, as her daughter, Mrs. Annie Roberts, had left her about that time in apparently good health. She was 75 years of age, and had been ill from a cold. Mrs. Haynor was reputed wealthy, although she lived in an unfrequented neighborhood four miles from this city. She was eccentric. For several years she was engaged in the occupation of picking berries and often collected garbage for use on her small farm. She at one time was stopped by the police for persisting in walking about the city in her bare feet. Two daughters and one brother survive her.

HOLDS FIRE OVER NIGHT

STANLEY'S COAL

223 MOODY ST. 53 MEADOWCROFT ST. 12 THORNDIKE ST.

NATICK WINNING

Haverhill Defeated in the Second Game

NATICK, March 3.—Natick won the second consecutive game from Haverhill in the championship series in Concert hall last evening by a score of 18 to 16. In the second period only the quick work of the police prevented a riot. During an exchange of blows between Wachter and Fogarty, almost every man on both teams were in the mixup.

The rough-house work was started by Wachter, according to all reports, and Fogarty brought it to a close when he landed a knockout punch that put the "race horse" to the bad for a few minutes. The incident aroused the audience to the highest pitch of excitement and only the interference of the police prevented a general outbreak. It was the record of the post season series between these teams and both played hard to win. In the first period each scored the same number of times. In the second Haverhill went two points to the good but in the final period Natick came back in grand style and carried off the honors. The teams will play two more games in Natick and two more in Haverhill, and in case another game is necessary to decide the championship, which many believe will not be the case, it will be played in Lowell.

NATICK.		HAVERHILL.
Fogarty (Forat) rf		lb Haggerty
Hough lf		rb Williamson
Mulliner c		c Wachter
Kinkaide rb		lf Kennedy
Mayham lb		rf Doyle

Score—Natick 18, Haverhill 16. Goals from floor—Fogarty 2, Hough 2, Kinkaide, Mayham, Williamson 2, Kennedy, Doyle 2. Points on fouls—Natick 6, Haverhill 6. Fouls called—On Fogarty 7, Forat 2, Hough 2, Mulliner, Kinkaide 3, Mayham 3, Haggerty, Williamson 3, Wachter 8, Kennedy 4, Doyle. Referee—Charles Connors of Lowell. Timers—Kelliher, Dolan. Time—Three 15-minute periods. Attendance—800.

PREMIER PARENT

HAS DECIDED TO RESIGN HIS OFFICE.

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 3.—Hon. John Parent, premier of Quebec, has decided to resign, according to special dispatches from Quebec city. His leading opponent, Hon. Lomer Gouin, will be summoned tomorrow by the lieutenant governor to form a cabinet. The new cabinet, Mr. Gouin says, will consist of the following men:

Mr. Gouin, premier and minister of public works; Mr. Achimbalt, attorney general; Mr. Turgeon, minister of lands, mines and fisheries; Mr. McCorkill, treasurer of the province; Auguste Tessier, provincial secretary; Rodolph E. Remy, minister of agriculture; W. A. Wier and probably another minister without portfolio.

Ill health is the reason advanced for Premier Parent's retirement. His supporters in the legislature are outnumbered by those of the other Liberal faction and his withdrawal, it is claimed, could not have been long delayed.

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Gilbride's Merrimack & Palmer Streets

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Cloak and Suit Rooms, Primary Spring Display

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Will Commence This

Friday Morning

The sale will surpass all other sales previously held. We bought a lot of Black and White Ribbons from one of the best ribbon manufacturers in the country at a price which will enable us to give you big values. We'll not be apt to give as great bargains in many a year, so come today.

Double Faced White Satin Ribbon, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD

Double Faced White Satin Ribbon, regular price 33c yard. Sale price .....23c YARD

White Satin Taffeta Ribbon, regular price 25c yard. Sale price.....15c YARD

White Taffeta Ribbon, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD

Fine Heavy Black Taffeta, just the thing for hair bows, regular price 33c. Sale price....23c YARD

Extra Quality Black Taffeta, regular price 23c yard. Sale price.....15c YARD

Black Taffeta, good width, regular price 29c yard. Sale price .....19c YARD

Black Satin Taffeta, No. 100, regular price 37½c yard. Sale price .....29c YARD

We Are Showing New Spring

COVERT JACKETS

The new jackets are "all right." Makers have hit the perfection of shape this spring. The ideal Covert Jacket is here, you cannot find equal qualities, you cannot find better prices. Come and see.

We have Box Coats in various lengths and a splendid line to make a selection from.

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Individuality is the keynote in the hundreds of suits we have ready for spring, individuality of cloth, of style, of the very buttons—that is what you'll find in even the least expensive of our suits. The fabrics include Panamas, Henriettas, Mohairs, Serges and novelties. Our prices and styles cannot fail to please and satisfy.

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LACES LACES

This is to be a lace season. Rich laces are here in abundance, the assembly is peerless—you know that or ought to. Many sorts of the latest and loveliest are only here—and at prices that are rare for lowness.

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MERRIMACK AND PALMER STREETS

FOR CLERKSHIPS

Civil Service Examinations at City Hall

A civil service examination for clerical places, under the municipal service, took place this morning in the common council chamber at city hall, in charge of Commissioner Charles H. Conant.

The general examination was taken by 14 men and one young woman, while the limited was taken by seven men and six young women.

POOR OVERSEERS

WILL INSPECT MONTHLY BILLS THIS EVENING.

The overseers of the poor will meet, to approve bills, at city hall tonight. Chairmen McCoy and Eastman will be on hand and each may attempt to preside.

MISSION FAILED

GENERAL VELUTINI HAS BEEN RECALLED.

WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacoa, March 3.—President Castro of Venezuela, according to advices received here from Caracas, has just recalled General Antonio Velutini, second vice president of the republic, who some two years ago was appointed fiscal agent on Venezuela in Europe to arrange for the unification of the Venezuelan debt, owing to the failure of his mission.

REV. MR. MIX

IS IN NO HURRY TO COME TO LOWELL.

It is evident that Rev. Clifton H. Mix is in no hurry to come to this city, having been called to the First Congregational church, for he has bought a house in that city, according to the Worcester Telegram which says:

Rev. Clifton H. Mix, the new pastor of Pilgrim church, has bought the house formerly owned by Caleb Colvin, 892 Main street, at the corner of Norwood street, and as soon as it can be put in condition for occupancy, Rev. and Mrs. Mix and their four children will move into it.

The purchase price is not made public, but it is understood that Rev. Mr. Mix bought at a bargain. The Worcester house directory has the building valued at $5200, and the land of which there are 11,465 feet, at $8000, a total of $13,200.

The house contains 13 rooms, with spacious halls on the ground floor and upstairs. It is within one minute's walk of the church, and near the Woodland street school.

DRACUT EVENTS

PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY AT CHARLES McCARTHY'S HOME.

A very pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. McCarthy in Collinsville last night, their son Eugene, being the recipient of a combination writing desk and book case from four of his friends.

The presentation speech was made by Edward Brennan and the recipient responded. During the evening the following musical program was carried out: Songs, Eugene McCarthy, Edward Jennings, David Kennedy, Walter Marshall, Margaret Kennedy, Edward McKinley and Mary Furlong; duet, by Miss Rose Gorman and Mr. Walter Marshall; trio, David Kennedy, Walter Marshall and George Campbell. The piano was presided over by Miss Gertrude Furlong, Miss Bridget Sullivan and Eugene G. McCarthy.

During the evening refreshments were served. About 50 people were in attendance, many of them coming from Lowell.

THE MATHEWS

INTERESTING NOTES FROM THAT POPULAR SOCIETY.

The Dramatic club of the Mathews went to Boston yesterday. There were 11 in the party, Misses Mary Joyce, Elizabeth Doran, Jennie Maguire, Josephine Johnson, Catherine McDonough and Lillian O'Brien, and Messrs. William F. Thornton, John J. Lyons, John J. Coyne, Dennis J. Sullivan, Thomas J. Beane, Daniel P. McKenna, Patrick J. Kane and Bernard McNally.

The party left on the 3.47 o'clock train and had a dinner at the Quincy house. In the evening the party attended the Tremont theatre and saw E. S. Willard in "The Brighter Side". They returned home on the theatre train.

Elaborate preparatiaons are being made for the Easter Monday ball. The floor director will be elected on March 21st.

The weekly meeting of the Glee club was held at the rooms last night. Jas. A. Murphy has charge and there are more than 50 members. They are preparing to sing the Gregorian mass at St. Michael's church on Palm Sunday. This will be the second time a male choir has ever sung this music in a church in this city. Last year this same club sang it at the same church.

FOX PIANOFORTE RECITAL.

The Steinert & Sons Company announce a pianoforte recital by the distinguished pianist, Mr. Felix Fox. The program which Mr. Fox will play is one exciting the interest of all musicians and musical lovers, contains several pieces new even to musicians, and one piece, Moriz Rosenthal's "Variations on an original theme", has never been played before in America. A good audience is already assured for the occasion, and those that have not purchased tickets already may find them at the piano rooms of the M. Steinert & Sons Co., 120 Merrimack street. The recital is to take place in Colonial hall on Thursday evening, March 9th.

CHURCH MUSICALE.

A musicale was held at the residence of Mrs. Eugene D. Jefferson, 44 Boylston street, last night, the affair being in aid of the coming fair of St. John's Episcopal church. The program was well received, it consisting of musical numbers. The numbers included a selection by Miss Pauline Jefferson; a violin solo by Miss Irene Martin, piano music by Mr. Wilfred Kershaw, a cornet solo by Roswell Jefferson and song by Miss Alice Hutchinson, with violin and piano obligato by Miss Martin and Mr. Kershaw.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 28, 1905. The Committee on Liquor Law will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying Senate bill No. 160) of Eugene C. Webster and others for legislation to divide the city of Boston into districts within which local option in the matter of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors may be exercised; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 850) of Henry L. Dewey for legislation to regulate the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in wards and cities which vote to license such sale at room No. 446 State House, on Friday, March 3rd at 10.30 o'clock a. m. EDWARD C. PAULL, Chairman. THOMAS L. DAVIS, Clerk of the Committee.

Notice is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of Peter Mitchell, late of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to James J. Welch, 73 Glidden Bldg., Lowell, Mass.

JAMES J. WELCH, Executor.
February 21, 1905.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 1, 1905. The Committee on Labor will give a hearing to parties interested in House bill No. 20 on hours of women and minors making textile goods; House bill No. 21 on overtime work of women and minors; House bill No. 316 on payment of textile operatives; House bill No. 347 on employment of women and children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments and Senate bill No. 197 on employment of minors at room No. 219 State House, on Tuesday, March 7th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. SAMUEL ROSS, Chairman. GEO. A. SCHOFIELD, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 2, 1905. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill, No. 147, on registration of certain easements by the Land Court; House bill No. 571, to amend law for punishment for murder in first degree, at room No. 227, State House, on Thursday, March 9th at 10.30 o'clock a. m. CHESTER W. CLARK, Chairman. WILLIAM H. WOODHEAD, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 1, 1905. The Committee on Mercantile Affairs will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying House bill No. 349) of Lucius R. Eastman, jr., for legislation to require the burying of high voltage electric wires; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 680) of Andrew Johnson for legislation to authorize towns and certain cities to construct, operate and maintain conduits and their connecting structures for electrical wires, cables and conductors; a petition (with accompanying Senate bill No. 167) of Arthur S. Knell and others that the Hampden Electric Company may be incorporated; petition (with accompanying House bill No. 583) of William M. Brigham for legislation to amend the laws relative to the transmission of electricity and the powers of municipalities relative thereto, at room No. 431, State House, on Wednesday, March 8th at 10.30 o'clock a. m. F. M. HEATH, Chairman. GEO. F. THORBURN, Clerk of the Committee.

WANTED

WANTED—Children to board in a good home. Inquire at Sun Office.

CASH PAID for apples, and barrels back at Harvey & Co.'s, 33 Chelmsford st., or at car Thorndike st. R. R. track.

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WANTED—Children to board in country, desirable home; terms reasonable. Address Nelson, R. F. D., Billerica Centre.

MISCELLANEOUS

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office, 335 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

MADAME FORREST the renowned clairvoyant and life reader wishes to announce her arrival in Lowell. All who are in trouble or in want of information can consult her at 177 Middlesex st. up one flight. Card readings 25c. Walk in.

WHITE SEWING MACHINE—Ladies before buying a machine see our ballbearing rotary machine. It is the lightest and fastest and most enduring machine in the market. Second hand machines for sale. 376 Bridge st.

MIRACLE. The great German rust exterminator. Takes the rust off lawn mowers, cutlery, in fact everything, without labor. Once used always used. For sale by all leading hardware houses. Price 25 cents. Hugo Hill, Manufacturer.

MOTHERS—Bent's destroyer kills lice on children and all insects; cures dandruff and itching scalp; prevents falling hair, harmless, 25c only at Falls & Burkinshaw's, 418 Middlesex st.

THE WONDERFUL new drink Gloria gives health and youthful vigor. Boyle Bros. Agents. Telephone.

WE HAVE ALL the Fall Blocks of Hats and are prepared to supply the gentlemen of this city. Stiff hats cleaned free at Delorme's, 261 Middlesex st. The practical hatter.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 200,000 women. Price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1129 Bridge street. Telephone.

OFFICE OF BOARD OF POLICE

March 1, 1905.

Notice is hereby given that all licenses to use or employ wagons, carts, sleighs or other vehicles in the job or express business, or to sell or expose for sale in a wagon or other vehicle, fish, oysters, clams or lobsters, or to use or employ hackney coaches, cabs, coupes or carriages to convey persons from place to place for hire, will expire March 31, 1905.

Applications for renewal of such licenses should be made at this office not later than noon, March 11, 1905.

By order of Board of Police.

JOSEPH SMITH, Clerk.

SEVEN BARKS

FOR CONSTIPATION

FOR SALE BY

F. & E. BAILEY & CO. Apothecaries

Cor Merrimack and John Sts. Lowell, Mass.

C. & S.

WASHING FLUID COMPOUND

Potash, Sal Tartar, Ammonia and Borax. 20c Can will make 2 gallons Fluid

Carter & Sherburne

CUT PRICE DRUGGISTS

Merrimack, Cor. Bridge Street

SPECIAL NOTICES

NOTICE—To the public that Mrs. Hilma Gott, 134 Moore st. has opened an employment office and has a number of girls that would like situations, also girls seeking places to do general housework. Please apply.

OLD TRADING STAMPS—We will exchange any kind at fair value to a Discount Book which is redeemable for $1 cash and is free. Come in and get one. Purchasers' Discount Co., 53 Central st.

MISS J. MONTPLAISIR, Dressmaker, wishes to announce that she has removed to 473 Moody st. Open evenings.

MRS. AGNES ALLEN please call at 378 Adams st., up one flight. A friend here wants to see you. Be sure and call after 6 o'clock p. m.

D. BAKER & CO. wish to announce to their customers that they have moved from 150 Gorham st. to 303 Middlesex st. Rooms papered with gilt paper and border to match including hanging for $2, estimates cheerfully given on painting, whitewashing, etc. First class work guaranteed.

AWNING USERS—Beware of anybody who attempts to represent us without our business card or who claims we are out of business. We are doing business at the same old stand, 209 Dutton street. Cross Awning and Sign Co.

WALL PAPER of good quality and practical man to hang it, $2 per room (discount for quantities.) T. H. Siddeley, 789 Gorham st.

YOU WANT DISHES—We will give you all the dishes you want in your home provided you buy your teas and coffees at our store. Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack st.

MR. EVANGELOS COSTAKIS, a grocer doing business at 63 Choever street, started in business last October. Besides the Greek trade he has the trade of a large number of the French people, as they like very much the Oriental produce. In little Canada there are over 500 Greeks.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Table girl at 98 John st.

WANTED—A girl about 17 years old to mind two children. Call 11 Webster Ave.

WANTED—Carriage painters. Inquire at Sawyer Carriage Co., Worthen st.

WANTED—A first class general house girl, must be god cook and laundress. Good pay, small family. Mrs. Balch's employment office, 434 Westford st.

WANTED—A good lady or gentleman to introduce our new photo checks at the New Ideal Studio, 118 Merrimack st. Can make $5 per day.

WANTED—At once, an experienced kitchen girl. Thomas Don, 56 Mass. Corp. Opp. Prescott mills.

WANTED—A girl for general housework must be good cook and laundress. Apply 417 Bridge st.

WANTED—Experienced house girl. Apply 8 Washington st.

WANTED—A first class milliner, good salary and long season, a young lady that speaks French preferred. References required. Call at once at E. Robinson's, 163 Essex st., Lawrence, Mass.

WANTED—At once five nappers, experienced hands, good pay, at Chicopee Mfg. Co., Chicopee Falls, Mass.

AGENTS WANTED—Lady agents to represent large importing house in every locality. Good selling specialties. G. E. White & Co., 100-102 Franklin st., Chicago, Ill.

EXPERIENCED makers wanted. Inquire of Miss Rogers, 175 Merrimack st.

ANY intelligent person may earn good income corresponding for newspapers. Experience unnecessary. Send for particulars. Press Syndicate, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED—A second hand portable oven cheap. Payable by instalments. John McIntosh, Baker, Lawrence.

WANTED—Energetic man, each county, to post signs, advertise and distribute samples; salary, $18 weekly, $3 per day for expenses. Honesty and sobriety more essential than experience. National Co., 720 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

WANTED

Frame Spinners, Weavers, Speeder Tenders and Spoolers. GOOD WAGES.

—APPLY TO—

Hamilton Mills, Amesbury, Mass.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE—On Rogers street, Belvidere, two story, ten room house with bath and pantry and seven thousand feet of land all fenced in. Smith & Cavanaugh, Donovan building, Central st.

BUSINESS CHANCES

THE BEST OPPORTUNITY in existence for the investment of small and large sums of idle money where it will produce a large and steady monthly revenue without risk of loss. Principal back on demand. For full particulars, address W. H. Latimer, 413 Walnut st., Philadelphia, Pa.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Situation in dressmaker's shop. Wilkinson, 88 First st.

AN EXPERIENCED NURSE wishes to go out nursing; confinement cases are a specialty with her. Inquire at 33 Phillips st.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Boston bull, black brindle, stub tail, nine months old. Return to George O. Perrault, 49 French st.

FOUND—A parcel. Owner inquire John Russett, 127 Ford st.

LOST—A pocketbook containing a large sum of money between Carney bank and Pollard's basement. Finder inquire for Miss O'Neil at Bon Marche and receive reward.

LOST—A dollar bill on Church st., between George st. and Post Office Tuesday. Please return to 175 Church st.

LOST—A lady's gold watch with black fob, between Palmer and Merrimack sts. Return to 138 Market st. and receive reward.

LOST—A French bull pup, 15 months old with "bat" ears. Reward at 385 Gorham street.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Three talking machines, little used, for one-third cost price. Old Columbia records exchanged. Brazer & Co., Central cor. Market st.

FOR SALE—A small Galvanic battery in perfect repair at half price, $3. Inquire at Sun Office.

FOR SALE—Wood yard, established 20 years, motor power, wagons, horses; everything one-half price. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Lodging house and grocery store combined, $250, come and see it. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—16-room lodging house on Merrimack st., $500. 9-room lodging house $110. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE—Store doing $60 week, 10 room tenement. Here is a bargain, owner sick, $225. Greene, 98 Central st.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Stock and fixtures of grocery store suitable for woman to keep. Good tenement goes with it, rent cheap. Inquire at this office.

HOUSE LOTS for sale at Wamesit, $10 each, $2 down, 50 cents weekly until paid. Mr. Fogg, Room 22 Hildreth Building.

FOR SALE—3 pool tables, nearly new, tobacco fixtures, lunch fixtures, cash register, coffee tank, show cases, draperies, etc., will sell cheap. 258 French st., flat 1.

FOR SALE—A well established, good paying fancy goods and millinery store for sale cheap. Apply at 117 Essex st., Lawrence.

FOR SALE—A Backus Gas Engine, 8 horse power, none better, has been used but a short time. Inquire at Gumb Bros.' 1228 Gorham st.

FOR SALE—Stamped burlap rug patterns in floral, animal and Turkish designs. Bring this adv. for special discount to 212 Merrimack st., Upstairs.

FOR SALE—In a Massachusetts town of 2500 inhabitants a store, prop. been there 14 years, selling on account of sickness; good stock consisting of dry groceries, men's furnishings, large stock of patent medicines, also tobacco and candy. Directly opposite a large school thereby making large candy trade; 3 minutes walk to B. & M. station, and only 10 miles from Lowell. Must be sold, sold cheap to right party. Call and see at once. F. L. Fletcher, Graniteville, Mass.

WE HAVE FOR SALE the best paying stores in Lowell, just the places for yourself, son or daughter. Do not buy or sell before consulting Gordon, 219 Central st.

FOR SALE—Cheap fuel. Otto Coke; lasts as long as coal and costs less. Stove size, $5.75 per ton; Egg size, $5.50 per ton. We also keep best grades of coal. Mail and telephone orders promptly attended to. Moore & Preston Coal Co. Telephone 1366-2.

MONEY TO LOAN

MONEY TO LOAN to salaried people, your own personal note for security, all business transactions will be strictly confidential. Apply to T. H. Kelley, Broker, Middlesex st.

MONEY LOANED—Overcome your difficulties, our plan of loaning money on salaries is the most liberal to be found anywhere, easy weekly payments. All transactions confidential. Massachusetts Loan Co., Room 22, Hildreth Building.

MONEY LOANED salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters and others, without security, easy payments, offices in 50 leading cities. Tolman, room 43 Hildreth Building, 45 Merrimack st.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security, boarding houses, teamsters, salaried loans a specialty. Best terms obtainable, liberal discount for prompt payments, commission paid. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate Building.

DON'T BE SHORT—Plenty of money to loan to salaried people, merchants, boarding house keepers, teamsters, etc. Easy weekly payments, lowest rates in the city. Confidential; no publicity; no delay. Special inducements for quick payments. Private office. U. S. Loan Co., 90 Prescott st., room 5, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, diamonds, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinhas, room 3, Barristers' Hall.

TO LET

TO LET—Two cottages at Batchelder Place, off Walker st., price $9 and $12. Keys may be found at Mrs. Henry's across street. Wm. A. Read, 223 Liberty st.

TO LET—House of 14 rooms, bath and set tubs, good location for lodgers. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—8-room tenement, Powell st., near Shaw's Hosiery, rent $10. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Flat of 5 rooms and bath, Andover st., rent $15. Apply to Henry Miller & Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Tenements of 4 and 5 rooms, handy to mills and in good repair. Apply to Henry Miller Son, 2 Wyman's Exchange.

TO LET—Low priced tenements for small families, two rooms with all conveniences for housekeeping, $4.50 per month; three rooms $5.50; five rooms, $6.50; three rooms on the Highlands, $7. All in good locations and newly papered and painted. T. H. ELLIOTT, 64 Central st.

TO LET—Pleasant steam heated room suitable for one or two. Inquire 43 Hurd st.

TO LET—Clean, desirable rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Will let to either ladies or gentlemen. Desirable parties only. E. E. Hunter, 512 Central street.

TO LET OR FOR SALE—90 acre farm, 1-2 in a grass line, two-tenement house, 2 barns, 100 good apple trees, 4 miles from Lowell. Call at 33 Fifth avenue.

TO LET—A suite of rooms heated and first class order, also one single room, open fire place and heated, in the I. O. O. F. Temple, 84 Middlesex st. Inquire of the janitor.

TO LET—Nicely furnished front room bay window, heated, lighted, bath, telephone. 40 Second street.

TO LET—Store 366 Merrimack st. possession given March 1st. Thomas G. Gerrish, 15 Gould Ave., Malden, Mass.

TO LET—Corner Windsor & Westford streets two six room flats all hard wood floors; steam heat, continuous hot water and gas range furnished. All modern conveniences. Apply James H. Walker, 43 Fletcher street. Tel. 911-2.

REMOVAL—Miss Josephine Bonan, dressmaker, formerly at Edson block, Merrimack street, has removed to Central block, 53 Central street. No cards. Everyone welcome. Take elevator. Rooms 52-53. Tel. 1114-3

TRACKS BLOCKED

Train on Pennsylvania Road Wrecked

ALTOONA, Pa., March 2.—A west-bound freight train over the Pennsylvania railroad parted and crashed together at Lilly, Pa., today. Eight cars were wrecked and all tracks were blocked before it could be flagged, the third section of train No. 16, composed of two engines, one baggage car and six pullman sleepers, crashed into the wreckage. Both engines and two sleepers were badly damaged but no one was injured. The train carried inauguration excursionists on their way to Washington. The passengers in the damaged cars were transferred and brought to this city where they were provided with other sleepers and proceeded on their journey.

BASE BALL

The Lynn Independents will expend a part of the $10,000 raised to fight league baseball by appealing to the courts for action against the baseball trust, according to the following information from the Lynn Item:

There is a possibility at present of baseball litigation, in which Lynn will figure as the centre of interest. As things stand at present, the directors of the Lynn Baseball and Amusement association have under consideration legal action to test the validity of the ruling of the baseball leagues for protection of league territory, to the effect that a team that plays with an independent team in territory claimed to be under league control will be marked as an outlaw and suffer accordingly.

The test case appears to be over the Murray Hills, a strong independent club, of New York that plays holidays, Saturday afternoon and Sunday games on its own grounds and from time to time plays with teams of the Connecticut league. The Murray Hills have been signed to play a series of games on the new association circuit that has been formed through the activities of the Lynn association, including Lynn, Brockton, Worcester and Portland, with a chance of Lawrence being added.

Lynn is considered league territory, as it is claimed by the New England league because of location of a franchise here. The presence of the Murray Hill team in Lynn to play with the association team would under the league rule be an act of outlawry, in that it would be an invasion of league territory, and league territory, roughly bounded, is anywhere within five miles of the place where a franchise in either of the major leagues or any of the sanctioned minor leagues have teams.

Manager Leonard of the Lynn Association team has received this week a letter from Manager Strong of the Murray Hills, in which the New Yorker states that he has been informed by President Murnane of the New England league that the Murray Hills must keep out of Lynn and other league territory, or they would be declared outlawed and refused games in the Connecticut league cities or with any of the major league teams or the teams of the Connecticut, Eastern or New England league teams, and the outlaw edict would, of course, extend to players on the Murray Hills, whose chance of getting into bigger company would be cut off because of playing in an outlawed team.

Manager Strong writes that he has consulted with officials of the American and National leagues, and that he has been advised to keep his engagements in New England for a series of games with the independent teams in the association circuit, including Lynn. He also writes that as a baseball man he has never failed to keep engagements made and that he does not propose to depart from that rule now.

Manager Leonard has placed the matter before the directors of the Lynn association, and Starr Parsons is looking into the legal phase of the issue. Meanwhile there is no opportunity for immediate retaliatory action, though, of course, if the Murray Hills play in Lynn with the association team and subsequently find that there is baseball discrimination against the team on that account the ground for legal proceedings will be afforded and taken advantage of. This is one of the interesting features of the local baseball situation.

There is a blind man in New York who is a regular devotee of the game at the Polo grounds—wholly blind. As his companion informs him what is happening his face is as interesting a study in expression as that of any other crank. Another's eyes and his own ears keep him pretty well posted on all that is going on. He can almost tell a base hit from the ring of it, and when a member of the home team is on third and there comes a hit, his face lights up with pleasure. Or if the batter goes out, the audible expression of disappointment of the crowd is reflected on his face.

Base hits and runs cut more figure with Manager Johnny McGraw than signs and omens. Aggressive and assertive as McGraw is, he is not without diplomacy on occasions. Just after a close game one day which his team had lost, McGraw approached the umpire and asked:

"Mr. Umpire, what would happen to me if I should call an umpire an incompetent robber?"

"You would be fined," was the umpire's response.

"And what would happen to me if I merely thought the umpire was an incompetent robber?"

"Why, nothing could be done to you then," replied the umpire.

"Well, let it go at that," said McGraw.

CYCLE NEWS

Poulain, the French bicycle rider, who has recently attained envious prominence through a series of victories, was born on the island of Jersey in 1880, of French parents. He began riding when quite young and later, when his home was moved to St. Nazaire, figured five or six years ago in amateur races in local regions. Last year he went to Paris and attracted the attention of all bicycle enthusiasts by his extraordinary riding prowess. This eventually placed him in the front ranks of professional racers. During the winter he has gained still further prominence by defeating Jacquelin and others who have been bound to acknowledge him their superior. After racing so long on a closed track, such as the Velodrome d'Hiver, in Paris, it will be interesting to follow the meets in the open air when he will compete with racing celebrities of America, who are going over.

"The most travelled road by bicyclists and automobilists, without a doubt, is the road leading from Haarlem to The Hague, Holland," says L. Van Leeuwen of Sassenheim, Holland, in a Milwaukee paper. "Along this road is the famous bulb country, a patch of about 25 miles in length and two in width.

"When in bloom these fields cannot be surpassed in beauty, and no one who has seen them at that time but will go into raptures over the scene. It is estimated that 25,000 bicyclists pass along this road every day and more than 500 automobiles. The queen herself is to be seen almost daily on this road at that season of the year."

Mrs. K. E. Gardner of Columbus avenue, has gone to Washington to remain a few weeks. On her return trip she will visit in New York.

The White Store

114—Merrimack Street—116

"Wholesale Retailing"

The celebrated "Onyx Dye", fleece lined Cotton Hose, double soles, high spliced heels and toes, ribbed or welted tops. Not the ordinary 25c hose, but the 29c and 39c grades, marked 18c,

3 prs. 50c

The famous "L. R." and "Minerva Mills" winter weight, fleece lined Vests and Pants, made of the finest combed cotton, handsomely trimmed with silk. Always sell for 50c. Regular and extra sizes, all 38c,

3 for $1.00

SPECIAL

11 to 2 o'clock

Saturday

A discount of 10 per cent. on any $1.00 Petticoat in our store. Over 1000 Petticoats in all styles, colors and materials to select from

Our Regular Saturday Offering in Dependable Muslin Underwear

"CHIC" CORSET COVERS. Dainty nainsook covers, beautifully trimmed with lace and embroidery, in eight exclusive styles, regular 75c value, while they last

50c

"CHIC" DRAWERS—Made of fine Cambric with a heavy blind hamburg ruffle headed with tucks. Nothing as good less than 75c. While they last

50c

BOWLING NEWS

The Wonders, even if they cannot defeat the Connemaras, have demonstrated the fact that they can easily trim the Bowlaway, the followers of Deputy Welch, last night, for the second time, defeating the Bowlaway bowling team. The game was played on the Bowlaway alleys and the score at the end of the third string was 2270 to 2123.

Dave Donaldson pull up his usual high string, having a single of 200 and a triple of 491. Houston showed up the best for the defeated team. The score:

BOWLAWAYS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Houston	147	160	137	[illegible]
Laurence	126	121	154	[illegible]
Whalen	101	110	160	[illegible]
Hall	111	158	165	[illegible]
Dickey	135	141	101	[illegible]
Totals	653	750	[illegible]	2123

WONDERS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Welch	157	120	140	436
Atkinson	162	151	150	461
Burns	127	140	171	438
Donaldson	150	200	141	491
Maher	160	131	158	449
Totals	756	742	772	2270

THE BLIZZARDS WON.

Moors' Blizzards defeated Goodale's Lynos by a score of 749 to 714 on the Bowlaway alleys last night. Cuff of the winning team was high man. The score:

MOORS'S BLIZZARDS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Morris	78	92	85	255
O'Dea	76	82	72	230
Cuff	99	80	84	264
Totals	253	254	242	749

GOODALE'S LYNOS

	1	2	3	T'tl
Ordway	95	97	69	261
Bierce	65	88	71	227
Chase	69	77	80	226
Totals	229	262	223	714

BLIND TIGERS WON.

The Blind Tigers and a team from the Lowell Machine Shop rolled on the Bowlaway alleys last night, the former winning by an even 100 pins. Ashworth of the Tigers was high man. The score:

BLIND TIGERS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Johnston	72	71	90	231
Desmond	72	81	84	237
Tarney	86	87	84	257
McDonald	97	62	87	246
Ashworth	79	82	94	280
Totals	406	413	436	1255

LOWELL MACHINE SHOP.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Whitney	85	84	80	249
Bickford	80	72	71	223
Matherson	80	77	81	238
Stuart	81	71	81	233
Hall	70	74	68	212
Totals	396	378	381	1155

PRINT WORKS LEAGUE.

Teams One and Six of the Merrimack Print Works league rolled a game at the Bowlaway alleys last night, the former team winning by a good margin. Harrington was high man. The score:

TEAM 1.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Harrington	93	79	102	274
Rourke	73	97	70	240
MacAdam	92	74	83	249
Granfield	99	75	90	264
Nolen	84	89	93	266
Totals	441	414	447	1302

TEAM 6.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Harrigan	77	77	76	230
McLaughlin	78	97	87	262
Davis	83	57	78	218
McGovran	83	78	83	241
Trimble	83	55	71	209
Totals	401	421	395	1223

EXPRESSMEN BEATEN.

The Topsies defeated the American Express team on the Bowlaway alleys last night by a score of 1257 to 1154. The score:

TOPSIES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Tom Magee	78	79	66	213
J. Lawn	80	75	100	255
John Panton	74	87	81	241
John Magee	78	103	89	271
Patnaud	84	83	74	241
Totals	394	432	431	1257

AMERICAN EXPRESS.

	1	2	3	T'tl
Howe	61	81	67	209
Martin	68	81	78	225
Cook	74	69	67	210
Edgell	67	82	94	243
Collins	80	81	84	245
Totals	363	397	398	1154

Y. M. C. A. BOXBALL.

In an exciting game of boxball at the Y. M. C. A. last night the Dromedaries defeated the Buffaloes by 41 pins, a noticeable feature being eight spares secured by the winners, every man securing at least one. This is the sixth consecutive victory for the Dromedaries. The game tomorrow night, when they play the Crocodiles, who are the leaders in the tournament will undoubtedly be full of interest. The score:

DROMEDARIES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
A. Myrick capt.	118	146	113	477
H. Macdonald	121	107	110	371
F. L. Ginty	120	87	117	324
W. H. Quinlan	130	146	145	421
C. Johnson	112	142	122	383
Totals	631	628	637	1916

BUFFALOES.

	1	2	3	T'tl
A. B. Hobbs capt.	134	136	142	412
C. Macdonald	121	111	128	360
J. Donohoe	118	104	135	357
R. Robitaille	126	127	119	372
A. Early	133	110	131	374
Totals	635	588	652	1875

Spares—Ginty 2, Myrick 2, Quinlan 2, Hobbs, Johnson, H. Macdonald.

MAN IMPALED

MAIL WAGON WAS STRUCK BY AN ENGINE.

TAUNTON, March 3.—Joseph W. Smith, the oldest letter carrier in the local service, was dangerously injured at noon yesterday by a train striking the mail wagon in which he was riding, at Horton's crossing, on the Attleboro branch. Mr. Smith was thrown out and impaled on a picket fence beside the road. Both legs were injured and his arms and chest were terribly lacerated. The horse was not injured, but the wagon was demolished. Mr. Smith said he did not hear any whistle or bell when he was about to cross the track. He was conveyed to his home. The physicians cannot say how badly he is injured.

THE BELL

ON THE SQUARE

31 TO 41 MERRIMACK ST.
LOWELL, MASS.

Saturday, March 4

Positively the Last Day of the Great Mark Down Clearance Sale

Men's Suits, Overcoats and Pants

Ladies' Furs, Coats and Suits

Children's Clothing

Women's and Men's Shoes and Rubbers

Men's Furnishings

This Grand Wind Up Day Will Afford the Greatest Bargains on Earth

Don't Fail to See Our Windows

BELL SHOE AND CLOTHING COMPANY

31 to 41 MERRIMACK STREET

Lowell, Friday, March 3, 1905

A. G. POLLARD & CO.

"The Store for Thrifty People" is more than ever your store during this between-season-time. And you who follow up our bargain announcements as they appear day after day will find that your thrift has been fully repaid. There's a touch of spring in the store news these days.

COME TODAY FOR MEN'S SHOES

The $3 and $3.50 Grades Only

$1.98 a Pair

You've seen the window showing. Seems as though it's the best looking lot of Shoes we've ever offered. ***Patent and Enamel Leather, Vici, Velour, Box Calf, Colt and Kid Skin, made on all the new lasts.*** Button, Lace, Congress or Blucher.

Sale Today in Our Palmer Street Basement

Announcement

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE PRETORIA DIAMOND COMPANY FOR THE EXCLUSIVE SALE OF THEIR GOODS IN THIS CITY. PRETORIA DIAMONDS ARE THE GREATEST DISCOVERY OF THE AGE, BEING FOUND IN THE SAME EARTH OF THE CELEBRATED LARGE 3000 KARAT DIAMOND WHICH WAS MINED JUST RECENTLY IN SOUTH AFRICA. PRETORIA DIAMONDS, ALTHOUGH AN IMITATION, ARE FOUND IN THE SAME EARTH. IT HAS NOT ALL THE QUALITIES OF THE GENUINE DIAMOND, BUT IT WOULD TAKE AN EXPERT TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE. THEY HAVE THE SAME LUSTRE, THE SAME FIRE, THE SAME SPARKLE AND ALMOST AS HARD AS THE GENUINE DIAMOND. AS THEY WILL POSITIVELY STAND HEAT, WATER, ALKALI, ACIDS, ETC. THESE GOODS ARE WARRANTED TO WEAR FOR YEARS AND THE STONES WILL RETAIN THEIR BRILLIANCY FOREVER OR WE WILL REPLACE THEM WITH A NEW ONE FREE OF CHARGE IF THEY PROVE DIFFERENT. THEY ARE MOUNTED IN THE MOST EXQUISITE STYLE AND WORKMANSHIP. WE ASK THE PUBLIC TO CALL AT OUR STORE AND EXAMINE THESE WONDERFUL GOODS AND SEE THE BEAUTIFUL WINDOW DISPLAY OF SEMI-PRECIOUS STONES THAT HAS STARTLED THE WORLD ON THEIR NEAR APPROACH TO THE GENUINE ARTICLE. PRETORIA DIAMONDS ARE BEYOND ANY QUESTION OF DOUBT THE FINEST IMITATION DIAMOND EVER DISCOVERED. AFTER EXAMINING THESE GOODS YOU WILL READILY SEE THAT THEY ARE NOT TO BE CONFOUNDED WITH THE SO-CALLED RHINE STONE JEWELRY FOUND ON BARGAIN COUNTERS. ON SALE ONLY AT

A. G. Pollard & Co.'s
LOWELL, MASS.

Another Bargain Announcement From the

DRAPERY SECTION

Just received from the curtain manufacturers 3000 pairs of Ruffled Muslin Curtains which we're to offer at a third less than regular prices.

25 new styles, plain, figured, spotted or with stripes, tucked or hemstitched, full 2½ yards long, 36 inch body, with full 6 inch ruffle, worth from 98c to $1.60 a pair, only ....75c PAIR

175 pairs Jacquard Figured Muslin Curtains, 46 inches wide, 2½ yards long, worth $1.50 and $2.00, only 98c A PAIR

50 new styles of Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains, with lace edges and insertion to match, worth from $1.60 to $3.00, only ....98c, $1.25, $1.49 and $1.98

New Sateen Lambrequins, worth 98c, only ....49c A PAIR

Mercerized Sateen Lambrequins, 2½ yards long, 1 yard wide, strictly fast colors, heavy knotted fringe, only .... 98c EACH

WEST SECTION—GALLERY.

WASH GOODS DEPARTMENT

For Today and Tomorrow 200 Embroidered Lawn Waist Patterns. Fronts and cuffs elaborately worked and material enough for a waist, regular price $1.25, only....89c EACH

PALMER STREET—CENTRE AISLE.

Special Offer From the Fancy Grocery Section

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THE SUN'S PLATFORM

FOR THE GOOD OF LOWELL

1. ADOPT a new charter giving the mayor full power to appoint and remove at will, the heads of all city departments and members of all boards or commissions.

2. ABOLISH the common council and provide for a single legislative board of 27 aldermen, three from each ward.

3.—CREATE public boards to have charge of streets, buildings, police, fire, pauper and water departments.

4. ANNEX portions of Dracut and Tewksbury, including the "Navy Yard" and the Andover road as far as the Hood farm.

5. ABOLISH the Merrimack street station and the grade crossings at Market, Thorndike and Middlesex streets and extend the northern station to Thorndike street.

6. BUILD a public hall and market on the White lot in Merrimack Square.

Lowell may soon be able to boast of a cotton mill of which all the officers are Lowell men.

Renovated butter is in demand in Lowell because genuine butter is so high priced that a great many people are unable to buy it.

Supt. Moffatt is the apostle of the finger print system of detecting criminals. The burglars and pickpockets have taken to wearing gloves.

How will the scheme to erect an international monument to Shakespeare strike the followers of the cipher critics who figured out that Bacon wrote Shakespeare's plays?

The Lowell cemetery will soon have two new features that it will be worth going to see, the first the new gate and second the monument to Louisa M. Wells, a mill girl of the days of Lucy Larcom.

The decent men of the board of overseers of the poor have the sympathy of their friends. They are blamed for the defects of the system and for the long established laxity in the methods of doing business.

THE BILL TO ABOLISH THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The bill now before the legislature for the abolition of the overseers of the poor provides for the submission of the measure to the voters of Lowell at the next city election. By that time the overseers and their friends may be able to work up a sentiment sufficient to defeat the measure and put off the abolition of the board for an indefinite period. There is no accounting for what the political machine will do.

The defects in the city charter are still in force because a radical revision of the charter was defeated at the polls. For this reason we believe that an amendment should be made to the bill, providing that the board be abolished with the approval of the city council. That would bring about the desired change at once. Of course if there was any question about the advisability of the measure we would favor the submission of the bill at the polls. As the measure is so palpably just and so plainly for the benefit of the poor and the city at large it should not be subject to the chances of defeat made possible by a crusade by political grafters through the machine while the decent citizens who suppose the matter will be approved simply go to the polls and vote for the bill.

This is a case in which it is absolutely safe to depart from what is properly made a general rule, that all charter changes should be referred to the people before being put into force. Necessity justifies the exception in case of the overseers of the poor.

CHICAGO ELECTION OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE.

There is an important contest on at Chicago, one in which the principle of municipal ownership as well as of democracy is to be fought out. It is to be decided at the city election next month when the people will elect for mayor either John Maynard Harland, the republican candidate, or Judge Edward F. Dunne, the candidate of the democracy.

Mr. Harland, a few years ago, was a leader of the radicals, but he has since thrown his entire influence into the hands of the traction interests and franchise grabbers who have attained great power in Chicago.

Judge Dunne, on the other hand, is one of the ablest jurists in Illinois, and he has entered the mayoralty contest only after almost irresistible pressure was brought to bear upon him. But having consented to be a candidate, he has declared for public ownership, and upon that issue the contest will be fought to a finish.

It will, therefore, be apparent that the election is of more than local interest, inasmuch as the same question will sooner or later come to every city. Speaking of the issue Judge Dunne says:

"I cannot, therefore, contemplate with stolid indifference the policy, now virtually confessed, of overriding the expressed will of the people and granting to J. Pierpont Morgan of New York, and the coterie of capitalists associated with him the exclusive right to use our streets for traction purposes for 20 years yet to come; if not indefinitely thereafter. This right is worth $200,000,000. The Morgan syndicate has already paid $25,000,000 for not a great deal more than the mere possibility of securing it from our city government. To such a policy I am opposed.

"The traction question can be settled without giving to a Wall street syndicate franchises to be capitalized at many millions of dollars, which must be paid for by the people of Chicago before the city can establish municipal ownership of its street railways. It can be settled without depending upon contracts for good service, which have heretofore been delusive. It can be settled by proceeding immediately, as the people themselves have already demanded, to establish municipal ownership without dilatory compromises with stock-jobbing corporations. No further street franchises for corporate manipulation and profit ought or need be made."

Judging from this brief statement of Judge Dunne's policy it would appear that unless the people of Chicago are willing to vote against their own interests, to vote away their own rights, they have no alternative but to elect Judge Dunne in spite of the republican majority that is expected to stand by the party nominee. Judge Dunne is doing in Chicago what Tom L. Johnson is doing in Cleveland and what many other able men are doing in various parts of the country and what must be done when any attempt is made to capture the public rights and hold them for the oppression of the people to which they originally belonged.

SEEN AND HEARD

The sleighing is good, bad and indifferent and so is the wheeling.

This is the season of the year when the small boy's mind turns to marbles.

If the snow that extends the length and breadth of the water shed should take a notion to slide into the Merrimack river in a hurry there would happen the thing that spells "freshet."

Here are a few samples of the funny signs that the observant one sees in Lowell. "Shoes blacked inside." "Frog in your throat ten cents." "Wait for the fire sale." "Don't go elsewhere to be cheated, trade here." "Visit our store before purchasing elsewhere."

"Haven't you felt that way?" is a question asked by Maurice Smiley in Collier's Weekly and here's the way Maurice asks the question:

Haven't you often worn goggles of blue,
And seeing life's sham and its shame,
Felt it was all a big scramble, and you
Might as well get into the game?
That nothing much mattered but a big bunch of cash,
And the man who was good was a jay,
And the whole blooming country was going to smash;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

Haven't you felt is was hardly worth while
To try to live up to your best?
And haven't you smiled a cynical smile—
And something way down in your breast
Whispered that life had a prize that was higher than gold
And sweeter than fame or display?
And the faith that had slipped took a brand new hold;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

And didn't a peace come near that was far
And urge you to strive toward it still?
And didn't you turn your face to a star,
And didn't you say: "I will!"
And weren't you stronger, and didn't you find
The world was better, and didn't it pay
To be brave and patient and cheery and kind;
Haven't you, haven't you felt that way?

If a certain little dog in this town had as much sense as a green goose he would not be going about with a badly scratched nose. The scratches were self-inflicted and bear painful testimony to the little fellow's desire to bury a piece of meat for future reference. Some good-hearted man in the employ of the Lowell Packing & Provision company gave the little dog a great big piece of meat and after he ate all that his little stomach would hold he looked for a hiding place for what was left. Thinking, perhaps, that the meat would be safer in the shadow of the police station, he carried it across the street and dropped it near the curbing at the police station. He tried to scratch a hole in the hard snow with his little paws. He didn't make very good headway, however, and he decided to see what he could do with his nose. He poked at the hard surface for about five minutes and when he got through his nose was bleeding from a series of scratches and the hole was not yet dug. He gave up in despair, took one fond glance at the meat and went away.

Charlie Morse's new snow plow operated in Varnum street a few days ago and the men who had shoveled pretty paths around and about their premises were so vexed that they swore in seven different languages. The snow plow threw the snow on the sidewalks and made great banks in places where the shovelers had made great wide paths. Some of the abutters thought the city men would clear out the paths they choked up but they soon found that they were not thinking along the right line. It cost one fellow a whole case of beer to have his paths shoveled. He told the men if they would shovel out the paths that they might go down cellar and help themselves to his beer. He reckoned that they would drink about six bottles. He was feeling thirsty when he arrived home in the evening and he went down cellar to get a bottle of beer and he found everything as empty as Mother Hubbard's cupboard.

Many amusing letters are received by theatrical managers, but Manager Al Haynes of the Casto received the appended letter Monday from a young lady of Laconia, N. H., who evidently has a yearning for stage honors:

Laconia, N. H., Feb. 24, 1905.

Dear Sir:—I am writing you a few line by asking you that would you like to have a skirt dance in your theatre. I am a first class skirt dance I dance for manny years, if you wish to have one please answer at once and let me know and I will go I can dance for two week stand I dance in two different way so please answer at once and let me know when you would like me to go so I won't make anny engagement for that time and tell me what is your salary and please answer at once and let me know if you wish to have a skirt dance or not and if you wish to have my photos I will send you one, and please answer at once.

Yours truly, ——.

The 1905 edition of "In The Maine Woods" is out and the publication is one of the neatest and most attractive that has reached this office for many moons. It contains 192 pages, ordinary magazine size, and the illustration on the front cover is in four colors and represents a lumberman on his way to camp; a man and woman hunters too, preparing to launch a canoe in a sheet of water where the eye can trace the shadow of the trees below the surface. The publication is replete with stories and pictures of the forest and stream, and contains a great deal of useful information. The book was written and arranged by Fred H. Clifford of Bangor, Me., and it represents the push and enterprise of the Bangor & Aroostook R. R.

SEVERAL VERDICTS

ONE FOR $250 AGAINST BOSTON & NORTHERN ROAD.

BOSTON, March 3—A jury in the fourth session of the superior court yesterday disagreed in the case of Morris Goodman vs. the Boston elevated railway company. Plaintiff was injured Aug. 9, 1902, in a collision between a car and his horse and carriage on Canal street. He sued for $10,000.

In the second session before Judge Bond a jury returned a verdict of $250 for the plaintiff in the case of Frank J. McKarron vs. Charles H. Fox et al, expressmen. Plaintiff sued for $10,000 damages for injuries received by being struck by a ladder that projected from a wagon of the defendant's while it was turning the corner of Washington and Newton sts., June 3, 1903. The plaintiff was on the sidewalk and was struck on the head by the ladder.

A jury in the first session before Judge Harris, by agreement of parties, found for the defendant in the case of Bentley Thornton vs. the Newton & Boston street railway company. Plaintiff was injured by the sudden starting of a car, March 16, 1903.

Judge Hardy in the fifth session directed a verdict for the defendant in the case of William D. Baker vs. C. E. Osgood company, which was an action for damages for an alleged breach of a contract.

In the case of Agnes E. Marion vs. Charles S. Burke, a jury in the sixth session before Judge Bell returned a verdict of $110 for the plaintiff. The action was to recover $100 paid as a deposit on the proposed renting of a house at Hull.

A verdict of $250 for the plaintiff was returned by a jury in the same session in the suit brought by Margaret M. McKarron vs. the Boston & Northern street railway company, which was an action to recover $50,000 for injuries received while alighting from a car at the corner of Everett av. and Broadway, Chelsea.

In the case of Annie A. Dooling vs. the Boston elevated railway company a jury in the first session before Judge Harris returned a verdict of $175 for the plaintiff, who was injured by the sudden starting of a car in 1898.

SUPREME COURT

HANDS DOWN A DECISION AGAINST BOXING.

BOSTON, March 3.—The supreme court yesterday rendered a decision against the Tammany Social and Athletic club, which will affect nearly every Massachusetts boxing club now running, since they are promoted on a plan analogous to that upon which the Tammany Social and Athletic club in Whittier street, Roxbury, was conducted, and which the court holds is amenable to the statute prescribing a penalty for public boxing exhibitions.

The court holds that the bouts conducted by the club named, to which everybody was admitted upon fulfilling the requirement of a by-law of applying for membership in the club, were public exhibitions within the meaning of the revised laws, chap. 207, sec. 12, making it an offence for anyone to set up or promote such an exhibition for which the contestants have been promised or receive any reward.

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Handsome Rain Coats, Spring Overcoats and Covert Coats

A part of these made by Rogers, Peet & Co. were $15, $18 and $20. All in this sale to clean house, for **$10**

BALFOUR LOSING

Government Party is Badly Worried

LONDON, March 3.—The government's embarrassments are thickening daily. Mr. Chamberlain evidently takes Mr. Balfour's attempt to change the issue from fiscalities to home rule as "lying down," and the result is seen partly in the reduction of the government's majority yesterday and still more in some behind-the-scenes correspondence published this morning arising as follows:

At the beginning of the session Lord Stanley, free trader, and Mr. Fellows, M. P., both members of the government, promised to go to King's Lynn to speak for Thomas Gibson Bowles, another free trader conservative.

Their promise was confirmed by Sir Alexander Acland-Hood and was repeated as late as Feb. 27, but suddenly the engagements were cancelled.

Lord Stanley wrote to Mr. Bowles apologizing for an apparent breach of faith, stating that, owing to pressure of his colleagues, he and Mr. Fellows would be unable to fulfill the engagement.

A long correspondence between the parties concerned, which Mr. Bowles has given the papers today, followed. In which Lord Stanley and Acland-Hood pretend that Mr. Bowles was left in the lurch on account of his well-known tendency to criticise the government; but it is generally understood that Mr. Chamberlain, irritated at Mr. Balfour's attitude toward Lord Hugh Cecil, threatened to revolt if Lord Stanley and Mr. Fellowes were permitted to publicly support the free trade movement.

Mr. Chamberlain himself and many Chamberlainites were absent from the house without having paired off last night and the lax attendance on the first day of the session's real business has an ominous aspect for the government.

The session also was the occasion for unseemly scenes and acrimony between the front bench and the opposition leaders.

Meanwhile the cabinet vacancies still are unfilled and the belief is deepening that Ireland has proved a check to Mr. Wyndham's brilliant career.

The Ulster unionists display an undiminished determination to defeat Sir Anthony MacDonnell's policy. They have left London for Belfast to attend a big Orange demonstration in denunciation of Lord Dunraven's devolution scheme.

War Sec. Arnold-Foster, in a letter regretting his inability to attend the demonstration, says he considers the time one of great difficulty and danger.

JIMMY BURKE

WAS DEFEATED BY YOUNG DONAHUE OF ROXBURY.

LAWRENCE, March 3—Jimmy Burke of Lawrence was defeated last night by Young Donahue of Roxbury before the Unity cycle, social and athletic club by a referee's decision at the end of 12 rounds.

The bout throughout was a very tame affair. Donahue was clever, but his style of boxing did not take with the crowd because of his always going to a clinch. Burke always depended on a right or left swing for the jaw to beat his man, but Donahue evaded all his attempts. Burke showed no signs of punishment. It was a disappointing bout throughout. Patsey Haley of Dover was the referee.

Young Raymond of Nashua won over Young Sullivan of Lawrence at the end of five rounds. Patsey McKenna of Boston lost to Young Chisholm in eight rounds.

The best bout of the evening was between Billy Keefe of Lawrence and John A. Sullivan of Magnolia, the former winning in eight rounds. There were 400 spectators present.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Court Wamesit, F. of A. was held last night in Foresters hall. There were two propositions brought in while three new members were initiated. Chief Ranger William A. Kelley announced that at the next meeting of the court delegates to the coming convention would be elected and a smoke talk held. T. J. Garvey, John E. Maguire, T. J. McDermott and Chief Ranger Wm. A. Kelley, explained to the members about the efforts of William Stafford in the work of getting up a monthly paper for the interests of Forestry.

The ball committee will hold drawing April 28. The prizes are as follows: $15 in gold, lady's dress pattern, $12, barrel of flour, ton of coal, pair of shoes, silk umbrella.

Fraternal Order of Eagles of this city met in regular session last night. Action was taken on the death of the late Frank Carey and a committee was appointed to adopt resolutions and the charter was also ordered to be draped in mourning for one month. The aerie also arose and stood in silence for five minutes as a token of respect.

The aerie held initiation exercises and obligated 25 members into the order. Visiting brothers were present from Bangor, Seattle, Wash., and Boston. The aerie voted to hold a memorial day on the first Sunday of May, exercises to be held at the graves of departed members and also to hold exercises in the evening. Fifteen propositions for membership were received.

The regular meeting of Eirene lodge, I. O. G. T., was held last night in Pilgrim hall. After the business had been transacted the lodge was open to the public for an entertainment. Among the speakers were Mr. Markham, who gave the address of welcome, Mrs. Santeson, Mr. Trow and Mr. Zell. After the entertainment refreshments were served by the ladies of the lodge, which was largely attended, many being present from North Billerica lodge.

The prize winners in the whist contest held by Lowell council No. 8, Royal Arcanum last night were: First C. O. S. Wheeler, serving tray; second, C. C. Durstoff, umbrella; 3d, S. J. Owens link cuff buttons.

Highland council, Royal Arcanum, had a ladies' night of whist last evening. The men's prizes were won as follows:

First, George R. Mansfield; second, J. F. Robarge; third, Charles Dodge. The prizes for the women: First, Mrs. H. Robarge; second, Mrs. M. R. Smith; third, Mrs. F. E. Adams.

Grand Regent Merritt S. Foye of Lynn made an address during the evening.

Concord lodge, No. 6, A. O. F. H., held its regular meeting in Post 185 hall last evening. After the meeting a whist party was held, in charge of Mrs. Josephine Lee. Prizes were won as follows: First lady's, J. Galley; second lady's, Miss Hollis; third lady's, Miss Myers; first gentleman's, M. L. Donnelly; second gentleman's, L. K. Leach; third gentleman's, E. Thompson.

James A. Garfield Relief corps, auxiliary to Post 120, G. A. R., met in regular session last night and went through the regular routine of business. The corps will hold a food sale at the residence of Mrs. Parker, 29 Grove street, Friday, March 10, at 4.30 o'clock.

EVERLAUGH CLUB SOCIABLE.

The Everlaugh club held a well attended sociable and dance at Prescott hall last night. There were about 150 couples in attendance and dancing was enjoyed until midnight, music being furnished by the Middlesex orchestra.

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VETERAN'S TAX BILL DEFEATED IN SENATE

Suffolk County Bills Under Discussion

BOSTON, March 3—The legislative committee on agriculture at the state house has decided to report a bill to provide for suppressing gypsy and brown-tail moths, and the report is expected to be made to day. The bill will practically follow closely the lines of the last draft submitted to the committee by Hon. George R. Jones of Melrose, head of the suppression league.

The bill will call for the appointment by the governor of a commission of three citizens to be known as the commission for suppressing gypsy and brown-tail moths, the compensation of these commissioners to be fixed by the governor and council.

The work is to be done in the first instance by the cities and towns, under the direction of the commission, and the commission is given full power to urge on any unwilling municipality.

The bill carries with it a state appropriation of $600,000, to be expended in a period of four years.

The drafters of the bill submitted to the committee asked for this amount for three years.

The understanding is that the bill will be reported without a dissenter. It will then go to the committee on ways and means.

IN THE HOUSE

DISCUSSION OF SUFFOLK COUNTY SALARY BILLS.

BOSTON, March 3—The lower branch of the state legislature, with Representative Ward of Buckland presiding in the absence of Speaker Frothingham, had another time-limit session yesterday afternoon. The greater part of the afternoon was given up to discussion of certain Suffolk county salary bills.

The committee on public service reported a bill which provides that "an age and schooling certificate shall not be aproved unless satisfactory evidence is furnished by a certificate of birth or baptism of the minor that the minor is of the age stated in the certificate." The act is to take effect July 1, next.

Mr. Hickey of Boston opposed passing the bill to increase by $200 salaries of the court officers of the municipal court for criminal business in the city of Boston, on the ground that there was no good reason for the increase.

Mr. Power of Boston tok the ground that the officers were adequately paid and that the bill would be an additional burden upon the city of Boston.

The bill was passed to be engrossed by a rising vote, 137 to 6.

Mr. Brigham of Marlboro moved to substitute for the adverse report of the committee on public service, a bill to make the salary of the assistant clerk of the Suffolk superior court $5000, instead of $3500.

Mr. Elsner of Pittsfield admitted the value and ability of the clerk in question, but said the committee believed him to be amply paid. He alluded to the political campaign for chief clerk last fall and intimated that politics had entered into this measure.

The bill was submitted and referred to the committee on counties.

Mr. Davis of Salem moved to substitute for the adverse report of the committee on taxation his bill to provide an excise tax of 1 per cent. of the gross receipts of public service corporations, when such corporations have paid a dividend of 6 per cent. Mr. Davis said that the provisions of the bill had in one form or another been adopted by four of the states. Last year the committee on taxation reported the bill with but one dissenter, while this year the committee has reported unanimously against it. Mr. Davis argued that the public should receive some reasonable return for the use of the streets and highways by corporations.

Mr. Peabody of Cambridge in opposition said the bill was entirely at variance with the state's policy of corporation taxation and would bring injustice upon holders of stock which was already taxed. He claimed the bill would mean double taxation.

The substitute was rejected, 17 to 59, and the adverse report of the committee was accepted.

The committee on public charitable institutions reported the bill taken from the files of last year for the establishment of a Massachusetts hospital for consumptives for the treatment of patients in advanced stages. Referred to ways and means.

Once more the Greater Boston idea of Ex-Representative M. C. Cook goes to "the next general court." The metropolitan affairs committee so reported yesterday.

Leave to withdraw was reported by the committee on public charitable institutions on the petition for a state appropriation of $10,000 for Carney hospital.

THE TAX BILL

STATE SENATE DEFEATS PLAN TO EXEMPT VETERANS' PROPERTY.

BOSTON, March 3—The state senate yesterday afternoon rejected after a brief debate the house bill relative to the exemption from taxation of property to the value of $2000 of veterans of the civil war.

The exemption under the present law extends to those veterans suffering physical disability through injuries sustained in the service. The bill before the senate extended that exemption to veterans physically incapacitated from any cause except "through their own vicious" habits."

The committee on taxation reported against this measure originally, but Mr. Weeks of Everett had it substituted in the lower branch.

Yesterday Senator Reed of Bristol defended the measure and contended that it was along the lines of the national policy. Senator Peters of Suffolk, chairman of taxation, strongly opposed the measure as unwarranted and unsought by the veterans themselves. No one else spoke and the bill was rejected on a voice vote.

Without division or debate the senate accepted the report of the committee on military affairs, reference to the next general court, on the bill to extend to veterans of the Spanish war the exemption applicable under civil service laws to veterans of the civil war.

INNOCENT MAN

Hanged for Crime Committed by His Brother

WASHINGTON, Penn., March 3.—"My God, that's my brother. He never killed that woman. I am the murderer. I should have been hung instead of Eugene," cried Adolph J. Bloch yesterday in a frenzy of remorse, interrupting a companion at the steel mill in Canonsburg, who was reading to him an account of the hanging of Eugene Bloch at Allentown, Tuesday.

He is now in the Washington county jail awaiting a hearing on the charge of murder to which he has confessed and for which his innocent brother has been executed.

He is a German Jew, 26 years of age, and formerly lived in Philadelphia. His brother was hanged for the alleged murder of Mrs. Kate Falsinger on Aug. 6, 1903. Adolph Bloch declared to the authorities yesterday, after the item had been read to him that he himself killed Mrs. Falsinger and that the brother who had been hanged was guiltless. Bloch is a mill worker, reads the newspapers but little and says he knew nothing of the trial, conviction and execution of his brother until yesterday.

The murder of Mrs. Falsinger was a brutal one. Her throat was cut and her dead body was found hours after the crime. Eugene Bloch was arrested. He claimed that Mrs. Falsinger had been attacked by a stranger and that he was trying to defend the woman when she was killed. Adolph Bloch says his brother knew him to be guilty and suffered death rather than betray him.

When taken to the jail here last night, Bloch was in a state of collapse. He gave out a statement in which he acknowledged his guilt and expressed the hope that no mercy would be shown him for the terrible crime he had committed. The Allentown officials, when communicated with last evening by long distance telephone, said it was impossible that an innocent man should have been hanged for the Falsinger murder.

Later last night Bloch recovered his nerve to some degree and declared to the officials that the whole story was a joke. Later, however, he repudiated this and reiterated his guilt.

HIGH STREET CHURCH

GAVE AN EXTRA ANNUAL SUPPER AT VESTRY.

The regular annual supper of the High Street church was held on a night when the tempest roared and vagrant snow flakes filled the air. Owing to the roughness of atmospherical conditions the annual supper was sparsely attended and in order to give those who had to remain at home on that night, a chance, a second supper was held last evening. The all important purpose of the meeting, however, was to raise enough money on pledges to run the church for the ensuing year.

The supper was served under the auspices of the Men's club of the church. The tables were prettily decorated and there was, beside other things, fish chowder like mother used to make. The Adams orchestra of Chelmsford furnished music and Herbert F. Whipple sang a tenor solo. The chart system of collecting money, the same as was used last year, was used last night to good advantage.

AGAINST TRUSTS

KANSAS SENATE PASSED A BILL.

TOPEKA, Kas., March 3.—The Kansas senate yesterday unanimously passed Senator Nofzinger's bill to prevent the operation of trusts within Kansas. The measure is patterned after the Kansas law. It provides a fine of $20,000 for each attempt to stifle competition in any business. Provision is made for the expulsion from Kansas of any firm that may persist in violating the law.

NORTH BILLERICA

A class initiation was held in Union hall, North Billerica, last night under the auspices of Asa Pollard lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U. The degree was conferred by the degree team of Excelsior lodge of Lowell, District Deputy George Ensley chief of staff. The affair proved to be one of the most interesting events in the history of the lodge.

In addition to a large number of the members of the local lodge there were many visiting officers and members. The rallying committee in charge of the affair consisted of chairman, Walter Radcliffe; Johnathan Williams, Oscar Spencer, John Hawkyard, William McBride and Jethro Switzer.

Cora, youngest daughter of Postmaster Charles Maxwell, is suffering from diphtheria.

Letters remain unclaimed at the North Billerica postoffice for the following:

Dennis Hayes, Mrs. Septha Burgess (2), Bernard Callahan, Mrs. Sarah H. Heywood and George Donovan.

The regular weekly whist tournament being conducted by the Father Mathew Total Abstinence society was held last evening. There was a good sized crowd present and seven tables were used during the evening.

After two hours' play it was found that two players, Martin Shallop and George Dyson, were tied for first prize with 59 points each. On the cut off to determine a winner, Mr. Dyson won. The prizes were, first, briar wood pipe; second, pen knife.

LOLLY POPS AT CASTO.

Mr. Haynes always makes special efforts for thee hildren's amusement, and Saturday's program is brimful of acts which will please them all. Sydney Deane and company will present their scenic novelty entitled "Christmas Day on Blackwell's Island"; Rice and Elmer, the funny "rube" and the Chinaman, will offer a comedy bar act; Dudley and Cheslyn will sing popular songs; Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe will appear in their colonial musical act; West and Williams, who will have a new budget of stories for the little folks; Marlow, Plunkett and company in "A Lesson in Shapespeare;" Katherine Nugent will present her clever imitations of popular stage favorites; and the biograph will show all new moving pictures, including the latest success, "Baby's Day". To every patron Manager Haynes will present free a lolly pop. Reserved seats can be ordered by telephone, 815-3.

New Idea Patterns, all one price, 10 cents.

18 Sweet Navel Oranges for 25 Cents, in the Basement.

The Bon Marché DRY GOODS CO.

If It's in the Ad. It's True. If It's in the Store It's Right.

New Magazines on sale as soon as published.

New Books in Mrs. Dunn's Circulating Library.

A Sale of Kitchen Furnishings

OPENED YESTERDAY MORNING

As price is a capital story teller, and in this case we know a truthful one, we will let prices tell all the story.

FLOOR BROOMS, 15c—No. 6 size, sewed four times, regular price 25c.

BENCH WRINGERS, $2.98—Full size, made by American Wringer Co., regular price $3.98.

WILLOW CLOTHES BASKETS, 69c—Large size and best make, regular price 89c.

TOILET PAPER, 6 PKGS. FOR 25c Full 10c size.

BRISTLE BRUSHES, 25c—For dust pans, black bristles and solid backs, regular price 39c.

GALVANIZED IRON GARBAGE PAILS, 49c—Extra heavy, medium size, with shut-over cover (animal and weather proof), regular price 89c.

DRY MOPS, 29c—Full size, best quality, regular price 39c.

CARPET SWEEPERS, $1.39—"National" make, rubber tires and band, regular price $1.98.

HEAVY DINNER PAILS, 29c—Polished, with shut-over covers and cup, regular price 39c and 49c.

HARD WOOD TOOTH PICKS, 5 BOXES 10c—Regular price 5c box.

FLOOR BRUSHES, 49c—Large full brush with polished handles, regular price 89c.

XX BREAD RAISERS, 25c—Refinned, with ventilated covers and bolted handles, regular price 69c.

IVES FAMILY SOAP, 12 BARS 25c.

UNIVERSAL WRINGERS, $2.10—Made by American Wringer Co., full size, rubber rolls, warranted for three years, heavy frame, regular price $3.98.

WILLOW HAMPER, 98c—Heavy, with cover and braided edge, regular price $1.39.

HEAVY DISH PANS, 25c—14 quart size, deep and refinned, regular price 39c.

GALVANIZED IRON WASH TUBS, 49c—Large sizes, with wringer attachment, regular price 89c and 98c.

U. S. MAIL SOAP, 10 BARS 25c.

HEAVY STEEL FRY PANS, 19c—Polished, with cold handle, regular price 25c and 35c.

At the Same Time One Carload of

STRANSKY WEAR "The Ware That Wears"

GOES ON SALE

This is an imported ware of the very highest grade. It is made without seams from heavy steel and is quadruple coated with chemically pure enamel. The outside is a handsome mottled grey, while the inside is snowy white. We will replace free of charge any piece that does not stand five years' usage.

2 QT. TEA OR COFFEE POT, 98c—Enamel covers and handles.

1½ QT. RICE BOILERS, $1.25—Enamel covers.

2 quart size $1.49

4 QT. SAUCE PANS, 59c—Folded handles with brass eyelets.

4 QT. TEA KETTLES, $1.59—Cover to match, heavy ball, cold handle

4 QT. SAUCE KETTLES, 59c—Heavy ball, wood handle.

4 QT. GENEVA SAUCE POTS, 83c—Cover to match, heavy ball and wood handle.

FREE! With Every Dollar Purchase in This Dept. — One Three Quart Seamless, Covered Enamel Sauce Pot

This lot is three coated and sells regularly at 50c. You wonder how we can do it and we don't blame you, but we do, as you can see by coming down to the store today.

Two Invincible Values in

HOSIERY

Infants' Ribbed Cashmere Hose, black and tan; fine rib, silk heel and toe, worth 25c pair; 2 days.....3 PAIRS FOR 50c

Women's Split Sole Hose, heavy cotton, very elastic, ingrain tops, all sizes, worth 25c; 2 days.....10c PAIR

The above are on sale at these prices Friday and Saturday only.

A Very Special

Couch Cover Offering

Tapestry, good line of colorings in broken stripes. 3 yards long, 50 inches wide, 3½ inch fringe on sides and ends, worth $1.10, now 79c.

A Bargain in Envelopes

Two Bunches for the Usual Price of One

How can we do it you ask? We'll answer you quite easy. We believe in big sales and small profits. No. 4x4 Baronial for women's use and No. 6¾ xx Fall Gov. for men's use, and the price?

2 BUNCHES FOR 5c

A Sterling Bargain in

DRESS GOODS

For Friday and Saturday Only

44-inch Brilliantines. Two shades of blue, two of brown, green, garnet and black. Regular price 50c yard—Friday and Saturday's price 37c YARD

Another New Wash Fabric

TAKU SILK

20 inches wide. All Champagne grounds. Some have broken figures, others are lace stripe effects. About one-half silk. Guaranteed washable. The price .....39c YARD

Just Think of This

16 x 45 Stamped Hemstitched Bureau Scarfs 10c each

Of course we shall have to guarantee them all cotton, but you can't shoot peas through it—it is good and firm. Then they are hemstitched and stamped and only 10c. How much is the usual price? We'll let you decide that point. On sale front of main entrance.

Tiny Things at Very Tiny Prices

Elastic Corset Laces, worth 3c.....1c EACH

Flat Corset Laces, worth 2c each.....5c DOZEN

Adamantine Pins, worth 2c.....1c PAPER

Wire Hair Pins, worth 5c paper.....3 PAPERS FOR 5c

Thistle Safety Pins, worth 3c dozen.....1c DOZEN

Hand Sewing Thread, worth 2c.....1c SPOOL

A Special Leader in

HOSE SUPPORTERS

Worth 10c pair. Plain and fancy frill elastic. For 2 days....7c PAIR

Very Desirable Silk Belts

One-Half the Usual Price

In this assortment are three styles that we have twenty-five styles at same price in a regular way). They are made of Peau de Sole Silk, shirred, tucked and plain, two styles have button trimmings. They usually sell for 50c each. This lot .....25c EACH

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW "BUSTER BROWN" BELTS for young people? Very chic. They are made in patent leather, in black, brown and white. The price.....25c EACH

25c Tapestry Pillow Slips at 19 Cents Each

Here's a saving of over 20 per cent. The material is good. The colors, those handsome reds and greens so much in demand. The designs very pretty. The size is 20x26, with a tassle at each corner.

Nearly 500 Boxes of Ruching

On exhibition. Dainty, charming, irresistible. The most bewitching display imaginable. These enchanting conceits are used for finishing neck and sleeves of feminine apparel. This line is the most extensive we have ever shown. They come in all the most wantable colors such as blue, pink, violet, red, brown, cream, white, black and navy and combinations of black and white. Also a full line of ruchings for "nurses'" wear. The prices range from.....19c to 89c YARD

A Splendid Value in

WANTABLE RIBBONS

Chiffon-Taffeta

Five and one-half inches wide, beautiful lustre and very heavy weight, in all the desirable shades such as pink, blue, reseda, champagne, golden, cinnamon and seal brown, navy, black and white.

WORTH 35c YARD. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 25c YARD.

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The Arrow Library, published by Street & Smith, over 1000 books, over 200 titles, usually 10c volume, choose now for.....5c VOLUME

Queen Quality

THE FAMOUS SHOE FOR WOMEN

—AND—

The Boston Favorite

Are recognized all over the country as shoes of the highest order of workmanship. We are now showing full spring lines both in Button and Oxfords.

	Boots.	Oxfords.
The Queen sells for	$3.00 and $3.50	$2.50 and $3.00
The Favorite sells for	$2.00	$2.00

A SPECIAL FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY—Choice of our $1.49 line of Women's Boots at .....$1.29 PAIR

A Few Sharp Items You'll Find in the

Toilet Section

FLORENCE HAIR BRUSHES—Worth 25c, nine rows bristles, white and black .....17c EACH

ATLAS SHEARS—6, 7, 8, 9 inch, straight trimmed, Japanned handles, worth 25c 17c

MUNYON'S SOAP..... 9c

MENNEN'S TALCUM POWDER..14c

TAR SOAP.....3 CAKES FOR 5c

FLORENCE HAIR BRUSHES—Worth 50c, 15 rows bristles, white and black .....35c EACH

The above goods for Friday and Saturday only at prices quoted in this advertisement.

A VERY SPECIAL OFFER IN PETROLATUM—Fancy Jar, which contains 2 ounces of Petrolatum, has a gilt screw top, jar stands 2½ inches high and 2½ inches in diameter, jar alone should sell anywhere from 15c to 20c. Jar and contents now only..... 10c

A 30c Value for 19c in the Basement

This is the Value You Can Get at 19c for Two Days.

A FULL SIZE SASH CURTAIN—36 inches long, 36 inches wide, which usually sells for 25c, and Brass Curtain Rod which usually sells for 5c, Friday and Saturday 19c COMPLETE

ALSO 18 INCH LINEN CRASH—Worth 8c yard.....5½c YARD

36 INCH FRUIT OF THE LOOM COTTON—Worth 10c Yard.....7c YARD

A Regular 50c Heavy Fleeced Vest for 25c

All sizes, Viola, B. E. J. and Essex Brands, slightly soiled, short sleeves.

A $1.00 FOUNTAIN PEN, Like Cut SIXTY-THREE CENTS

Every One Guaranteed. 14 Karat Pen Point. Stubb—Fine—Coarse

This Offer Only Holds Good for Two Days.

STUDENTS' BATTLE

Serious Clash Between Boston University Men

BOSTON, March 3.—No company of "barnstormers" were ever harassed with more difficulties than have been the members of the freshmen class at Boston university, who are scheduled to present a play at Sleeper hall this afternoon.

The sophomore class of the same university has kept the freshmen on the jump to protect the embryonic actors from being kidnapped, and now the show will have to be put on minus some of the scenery, because last evening, after a hot fight in the university building, the sophomores carried away a part of it.

The sophomores had more to do last evening than simply to walk into the building, pick up the scenery and walk out again, for when they got in they found a brawny bunch of sweater-clad "freshies" waiting for them. When they went out they carried some black eyes and bruises along with the scenery and they left behind one student with a sprained ankle and another stretched out unconscious. It required the services of a physician to bring the latter to himself, and this was not accomplished for about 15 minutes, until the students were thoroughly frightened lest his injuries might result seriously.

The trouble is the outcome of the usual class feeling between the freshmen and sophs of the liberal arts department of the university. It has become customary for the sophs to try to prevent the freshmen from presenting their annual play, and this year they undertook to kidnap those playing the leading roles.

Yesterday afternoon the sophs succeeded in capturing James L. Greenan, one of the most prominent of the freshman class, but interference on the part of Dean Warren caused his subsequent release.

After his release the sophs threatened to capture the whole cast and about 10 o'clock last night they started operations.

The sophs gathered under the state house dome at 9.45 and then started for Jacob Sleeper hall, where it was known a number of the cast were acting as guards to the scenery to be used in their play.

The building was securely locked at the time, but someone with an iron bar pried open a window in Dean Warren's private room and succeeded in opening the window for enough to get in.

Which one of the sophs started to climb in a rope was thrown about his head. Some of his companions rushed up and secured the rope and tried to pull the freshman out of the window.

Meanwhile other sophs climbed in and began a desperate fight for the mastery of the room.

Most of the freshmen were up stairs at the time, and the sophs gained the floor.

For half an hour the classes fought back and forth over the floors of the lower halls.

The floors were spattered with blood from bloody noses; black eyes were passed round right and left.

F. Mellen, a freshman, was knocked into a corner, and later was found to have a sprained ankle. James Briar was knocked completely out and was trampled upon by the fighting mob.

POLICE AND DOCTORS CALLED.

Someone slipped away from the fight and telephoned for the police and for ambulances. Sergeant Dobbyns and Patrolman Minor of division 2, and Sergeant Goodwin and Patrolman Fay of division 3 were despatched, and they took charge of the building.

Drs. Cilley and H. E. Mace of Beacon street were called in to attend the injured.

When the police and doctors entered three of the men were laid out on the floor. One was not revived for 15 minutes, and the police were informed that an attempt had been made to drug him.

The greater number of the sophs were outside the building.

The man with the sprained ankle was hustled home in a hack.

At the direction of the freshman guards, an attempt was made to clean the marble floors of the blood stains.

Chesley Toy, whom the sophs had succeeded in capturing, was found in the cellar gagged, but before the police could get hold of him he was released.

Frank Volpe was badly trampled upon.

Until midnight the place was under police guard, the sophs still lingering in the street and the freshmen still remaining to guard their property.

POST OFFICE BILL

CONFEREES HAVE REACHED AN AGREEMENT.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—A complete agreement was reached in conference yesterday on the post office appropriation bill. The principal amendment was an addition of $300,000 by the senate to the $500,000 to the appropriation of the house for pneumatic tube service and a provision for the extension of the service.

LAMP OVERTURNED

WOMAN WAS BADLY BURNED IN CLUB HOUSE.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—In a fire which destroyed one of the Squantum club's outbuildings last evening, Miss Katherine Riley, aged 20 years, who was employed as a cook by the club, received terrible burns about the face, hands and feet. The fire was caused by the overturning of a lamp. The loss will amount to about $1500, covered by insurance.

REV. MR. MATTHEWS

RE-ELECTED PASTOR OF HIS CHURCH.

At the annual meeting for the choice of a pastor, held at the Gorham Street Methodist church last night, the present pastor, Rev. N. W. Matthews, received a unanimous call for first choice. Rev. S. T. Nichols of Philadelphia was second choice and the third was Rev. J. T. Barlow of Mount Carmel, Pa. It is hoped and believed that Mr. Matthews will accept the call to remain. The church has prospered under his administration and the last year has been the most successful in its history. The monthly income has been beyond that of any other year and the building fund has received generous attention.

CHELMSFORD

Harry Harmon, clerk at the Chelmsford post office will attend the inauguration exercises at Washington as the guest of his brother, Dr. Arthur A. Harmon of that city.

This is visiting day for the teachers of the Centre school and hence a holiday for the children.

The members of the choir at the Central Congregational church with friends, making a party of 25 were pleasantly entertained on Wednesday evening by their leader, Mrs. Arthur A. Stewart, at her home in Lowell. Mrs. A. B. Woodworth and Mrs. Henry P. Woodworth assisted Mrs. Stewart in entertaining.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Prof. Henry C. Newell of the Perdmont college in Demorest, Ga., will speak at the morning service in the Second Congregational church, Sunday morning, March 5.

Mr. William Picken has recently been visiting his friends in Fitchburg.

Thursday evening in the town hall, the board of registrars held a meeting and new names were added to the voting list.

The Moore Spinning Co., is having a new dye house built, close by their large storehouse.

Next week the Chelmsford Foundry Co., will begin on their new working schedule, whereby the help will have Saturday afternoons off. Business is good at the present time in the foundry, and the prospects for a busy summer are good.

REID NOT MARRIED.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The published statement that Daniel G. Reid of New York, chairman of the board of directors of the Rock Island railroad, had recently been married in London, is authoritatively denied by his business associates in this city. Mr. Reid is not in London, but is now on his way to Palm Beach to join his daughter.

RAISED DEBT

Worthen Street Church Produces the Cash

A little while ago the Worthen Street M. E. church had an outstanding indebtedness of $1200 and it has been wiped away. The church members banded together a few weeks ago and decided that the debt should be wiped out. They organized and laid their plans. The result was all that could be desired and last night the freedom of the church from debt was celebrated by a grand jubilee meeting. There was a church supper and a reception. Supper was served by the ladies of the church and former pastor, the presiding elder of the district and the pastor of the Central church were guests.

The church's speedy relief from debt is due in a great measure to the able efforts of the soliciting committee composed of Messrs. Hoyt, Johnson and Stetson. The committee collected over $1300. The announcement of the committee's very successful work was greeted with applause, hearty and sincere.

After supper Dr. C. H. Leland called to order and the pastor, Rev. E. P. Herrick, read the report of the committee. The other speakers were Rev. J. H. Mansfield, D. D., the presiding elder of the district; Rev. E. B. Thorndike, D. D., a former pastor and now of Saratoga Street church in East Boston; Rev. E. T. Carnick, D. D., Rev. J. F. Allen, Rev. W. W. Shenk and Rev. Edmond Lupien, who has charge of the French work for the Methodist denomination in this city. Letters of congratulation were received from ministers who were unable to be present.

INDIAN BILL

AGREEMENT REACHED IN ALL BUT THREE AMENDMENTS.

WASHINGTON, March 3—Conferees on the Indian appropriation bill reached an agreement last night on all but three amendments. The first strikes out the house provision removing the restrictions upon the alienation of lands of all allottees of either of the five civilized tribes of Indians who do not appear upon the rolls as full blood Indians, except minors and except as of homesteads. The second is the senate appropriation of $1,500,000 to carry into effect the treaty with the Indians residing on the Colville reservation in the state of Washington. The other disagreement is the amendment appropriation $150,000 for the irrigation of the lands of the Indians in Arizona. The senate provision was accepted providing for the investigation of leases of allotted lands in Indian Territory which the secretary of the interior has reason to believe were obtained in violation of the terms of the agreement with the five civilized tribes.

The provision for the extension of the leases of oil lands in Oklahoma held by the Indian Territory Illuminating Oil Company is accepted by the house conferees, with an amendment to the provision increasing the royalty to be paid on each gas well from $50 to $100.

LAWYER WANTS $50,000.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., March 3.—John Delahunty, the New York attorney, who was counsel for Richard A. Canfield for several years, has brought two actions against Canfield to recover $50,000 for legal services.

Mr. Canfield had refused to pay, claiming that the bill was excessive and the result was that Mr. Delahunty began proceedings.

ANTI- TRUST BILL PASSED.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 3—The house of representatives of Nebraska, yesterday afternoon, passed an anti-trust bill by a vote of 72 to 10. The bill is aimed specifically at the so-called beef trust and the Standard Oil company.

RED ROVER CLUB

HELD ENJOYABLE SOCIABLE IN ASSOCIATE HALL.

The Red Rover club held a social and dance in Associate hall last night and the affair was very largely attended and also proved to be a grand success. During the early part of the evening a concert program was carried out, after which dancing was enjoyed.

Selection, Miss Mary Ort; song, "Everywhere," Red Rover quartet, Messrs. Hosmer, Gordon, Bowden, Ort; banjo-mandolin, "Red Rover March," Red Rover quartet, Messrs. Gordon, Hosmer, Rokes, Swann; song, "I'm Longing for You Sweetheart, Day by Day," James F. Hennessey; banjo solo, "American Rondo," Ray B. Gordon; song, "Just for Tonight," Miss Alice Donnelly; selection, "Pretty Mamie Clancy Waltz," Nerpa club; song, "Shine On, O Stars," Martin Maguire; selection, "Zenobie," Nerpa club.

Those who officered the affair were: General manager, Cecil N. Hosmer; assistant manager, Robert J. Bowden; floor director, Martin Maguire; assistant floor director, Walter Rokes; secretary, Ray B. Gordon; aids, Harry Swann, James Hennessey, Arthur Halpin, Charles Ort, A. Gale Lees.

KOREAN MINISTER

BECOMES A MEMBER OF CATHOLIC CHURCH.

CHICAGO, March 3.—A special from Kobe says:

"According to the Osaka Mainichi's Seoul correspondent, the Korean minister has become a convert to Roman Catholicism and has requested the Seoul Catholic mission to receive him formally into the church."

The MERRIMACK

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

MOHAIR

Shirt Waist Suits

Special for Saturday $3.95

LADIES:—Here's a Bargain!

We have secured, at a price concession, a quantity of Tailor Made Mohair Shirt Waist Suits, that we will offer you for Saturday only at **$3.95** each.

They are choice Suits, this Spring's Models, fresh from the makers, and a fine quality mohair. Colors, black, blue, brown and champagne.

The waist is very full, tucked front with the new sleeve. The skirt is very full, with panel front and pleats.

You'll find them shown around town at $5.98 and $7.50. Here Saturday only at **$3.95.**

The MERRIMACK

CLOTHING COMPANY

CLEAN-UP SALE OF

Boys' Suits

at $1.95

Value $3, $4, $5, up to $10

They're spring weights, mostly one, two, three of a kind—discontinued lines, and odds and ends.

There are Three-Piece Suits in sizes 11 to 17 years, light colors mostly, that were $5 to $10 each.

Two-Piece Suits in light mixtures, ages 8 to 16, that were $3.00 and $4.00.

Norfolk Suits in Mixtures, sizes 4 to 14 years, that were $3.00, $4.00, $5.00 and $6.00.

Vestee Suits in light and heavy weights, blue cheviots and fancy mixtures, 3 to 7 yrs., that were $3, $4, $5, $6, $7.

Choose now at $1.95 each.

Also a lot of Covert Coats, sizes 10 to 15 years, that were $3.00.

See them in Worthen Street window.

The MERRIMACK

CLOTHING COMPANY

LOWELL

One Day Only

Saturday Mar. 4th

Parlors of American House

Office Hours from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Remember, This Visit Only.

14KT GOLD FILLED GLASSES

That other dealers are charging you from $4.00 to $7.00 for, we shall sell for..... $1.00

Frame Guaranteed for 20 Years.

Do not suffer from Sick Headaches, Nervous Prostration, Forgetfulness, Insomnia, Mental Exhaustion, Twitching of the muscles of the face or eyes, Car Sickness, Sleeplessness, Styes, Thickened Eyelids, Red and Inflamed Eyes, inability to see objects in the distance or near clearly, or double vision.

If your child is dull or behind its classmates at school, or cross-eyed, come to us.

We are today doing the best optical work that is being done in the United States.

Your eyes are examined thoroughly and carefully by eminent eyesight specialists. The examination is entirely free.

We have thousands of pleased customers in your vicinity who are sending their friends to us every visit we make to your city.

Do not neglect this rare opportunity.

The Edward E. Dammers Co.

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Largest Retailers of Glasses in America.

Spring 1905 --- Early Showing of

MEN'S TOP COATS SPRING OVERCOATS AND RAIN COATS

The new spring overcoats, top coats and rain coats are ready at the Merrimack.

You'll see here an almost entire new stock. We never entered a season with so few carried-overs—a mere handful.

Let us show you the new garments — try them on and see the improvements since last season in the fitting — see the richness of the new fabrics, etc.—nothing more refreshing than the change from a winter overcoat to these spring garments.

The top coats are 32 and 34 inches long—are in shades of tan, olive, oxford and brownish coverts—also black thibet.

The overcoats are 40 and 42 inches long—in black undressed worsteds and oxford gray vicunas.

Rain coats are 52 to 54 inches long — in full box back or Paddock styles — and are shown in gray worsteds, venetians and fancy mixtures.

Each style begins at $10 and goes to $25.

The Merrimack

Clothing Company

Knapp-Felt Hats

For Particular Men

For men who want the best hat quality and hat making — with a touch of style — we recommend the "Knapp-Felt," in the shape illustrated.

"Knapp-Felt" stands for the finest stiff hats in the world—made by the best hat makers in the world—at So. Norwalk Conn.

The design is for Young men — built on new lines, and is shown by no other house in Lowell. Price *$4.00.*

The Yorick, Merrimack Special, L. & H. derbies are here in the new spring blocks — at *$3.00.*

The Merrimack Derby and eight other shapes of new spring derbies—at *$2.00.*

Fifteen styles of soft hats—in the new spring shapes and shades—at *$2.00 and $3.00.*

The Merrimack

Clothing Company

ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

DID NOT INSPECT

City Treasurers Books Not Looked Into

Alderman Braden and Councilman Morse and Dodge of the appropriations committee were at City hall this morning but up to noon none of them had gone to the city treasurer's office to look over the books.

No time was set for the inspection and in response to the query of a reporter of The Sun, Chairman Braden said: "We have fixed no special time to examine the books in the treasurer's office and it is not likely that the committee as a whole will inspect them. Some of the members were sick last night, especially Alderman Cosgrove, and it is not likely that they will all get together before next Monday."

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BOARD OF HEALTH

MET AT HOME OF DR. HUNTRESS YESTERDAY.

The board of health met with Dr. Leonard Huntress at his home, 16 Fort Hill avenue, yesterday afternoon, Dr. Huntress being confined to his home with a severe cold. The board discussed department matters generally, but transacted no business.

UBERO CLUB

HELD CONCERT AND DANCE LAST EVENING.

The Ubero club gave a delightful concert and dance in American Mechanics' hall in Middle street, last evening with a large attendance.

The concert consisted of numbers by the orchestra and songs and violin selections by Louis Christiani. The program was as follows: March, Ubero club; overture, "Lore and Song;" piano solo, selected, Louis Christiani; galop, "Red Devil," Louis Christiani.

The officers of the evening were: General manager, Maurice Lambert; assistant general manager, George J. L'Heureux; floor director, George E. Mongeau; assistant floor director, J. Z. B. Lebrun; chairman of reception committee, J. Perigny; assistants, C. E. L'Heureux, Luke Dion, L. T. L'Heureux, Wilfred Gendreau, Fidele Daigle. The chief aids were: A. J. Lambert, Charles A. Gendreau, L. Destosier, Wilfrid Beauregard, Peter Perreault, L. Turcotte, S. Ouellette, J. Connors.

COMMITTEE NAMED

Y. M. C. I. TO ASSIST IN THE BAZAAR.

At the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. I. last night five propositions for membership were received and four applicants were admitted. Reports of progress were read from the officers and standing committees. The following committee was appointed to assist Rev. Fr. Dorgan, O. M. I., in the coming bazaar: Patrick Mooney, Thomas O'Hare, P. J. Cox, James E. Burns, John T. Buckley, Alfred Cooney, Thos. Finnerty, John T. Carroll, Daniel E. Hogan, Bryant Coleman, William Flanagan, Martin Calnan, Walter F. King, Edward Quinlan, Michael O'Keefe, Frank P. McCartin, James McLaughlin, Frank McGilley, Andrew T. Doyle, John Green, James H. Flood, Thos. O'Hearn, William Carey, Henry Smith, John McCaffrey, Dr. William M. Collins.

President Hogan was authorized to appoint a delegate to attend the convention of Middlesex county, Federation of Catholic societies to be held in A. O. H. hall this city one week from Sunday. Under good of the order Hubert McQuade delivered lengthy remarks urging the members to put forth their best efforts for the benefit of the society.

WHIST TOURNAMENT

AT THE HALL OF THE C. M. A. C. LAST EVENING.

A whist party was held at the rooms of the C. M. A. C. last evening with 24 present. An introductory concert was given in which appeared Miss Emmons, Mr. E. Larochelle, A. Patenaude, Fred Emmons, L. Paradis, A. Beauregard and Messrs. Victte and Morin, acrobats.

Prizes were offered for the whist tournament, as follows: Lamp, Dubois Bros.; silk umbrella, Grace E. Manseau; kettle, V. Nemandin; statue, A. Lussier; bag flour, A. Demers, bag flour, E. Laplante; basket of groceries, Victor Achin; basket of groceries, H. Achin; silver tea kettle, J. Martin; nut set, J. Provost; perfumery sprinkler, Dr. Payette; box soap, E. Roussin; box cigars, E. Blais; thermometer, F. Picard; bottle syrup, Blouin and Desrosiers; bottle cognac, L. P. Turcotte, E. H. Chequette was master of ceremonies and the committee in charge consisted of A. Lussier, E. Blais, Emil Fontaine and Victor Achin.

MISS CALNIN ENTERTAINS.

Assisted by her mother, Mrs. James Calnin, and her aunt, Miss Carney, Miss Helena R. Calnin of Durant street entertained last evening the 18 young ladies who helped to make the candy table at the calendar party on Tuesday evening a decided success.

The affair was delightfully informal, the young ladies enjoying music and games until 10 o'clock, when a dainty luncheon was served in the prettily decorated dining room. Here Mrs. Calnin was assisted by Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Grennan, both chaperones of the candy table on Tuesday evening. This is the last pleasant evening which for some time the young ladies have enjoyed at their president's home.

AT HILLSIDE CHURCH.

Mrs. Ella M. Keith of Worcester will give an instructive lecture on "Domestic Science" in the vestry of the Hillside church this evening, beginning at 7:30. She, with her assistant, will cook and serve food to the audience. The rest of the collation will be provided by those in charge. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all. No admission. Mrs. Keith will also lecture in the auditorium of the church next Monday evening on European travel. A stereopticon will be used.

PUPILS STRIKE

SESSION OF THE EVENING SCHOOL BROKEN UP.

FALL RIVER, March 3. The strike fever has been so fostered in this city that it has broken out among the youngsters. It disrupted a session of the Pleasant street evening school last night and resulted today in the finding of the two leading mutineers in the district court. While Margaret E. Taylor, a teacher, was instructing Manuel Moniz and Joseph Martin they replied with a string of profane words which shocked her. The boys shouted "Strike!" and instantly the room was in an uproar. Officers Foley and Hogan had to quell the disturbance. Judge McDonough, on a warning, imposed fines of $5 each.

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CRIES OF LYNCHING

GREETED CORDOVA, THE ELOPING MINISTER.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Spat upon and reviled, amid shouts of "Lynch him!" the Rev. J. F. Cordova, former pastor of the Methodist church at South River, N. J., was taken last night at New Brunswick from the train which brought him from Washington with Julia Bowne, with whom he had for the third time eloped, leaving behind a wife and children.

As he was led out alone by a detective, the mob's cries were drowned in the general question, "Where is the woman?" Nowhere could she be found, though her custodian from Washington said she had not left the train. Finally, after the train had been held up for 10 minutes, a woman in one car pointed to a closet at the end and said she had seen a woman enter it. The door was locked, and the conductor forced it. There Julia Bowne was found.

As she descended from the train she became the centre of the mob, but she did not flinch. Women spat in her face, mocked her and seemed as if they would like to do her injury, but she moved on, looking neither to one side nor the other.

Bail in Cordova's case was set at $1000, in default of which he was taken to jail. For the girl $500 bail was offered by her father, and it was acceptable to the authorities, but she would not go with him, and consequently remained in jail, but in a separate cell.

"It was Mrs. Cordova's fault," Cordova said to the detectives. "She drove me to this after I tried for years to prevent it. From the first week after our wedding I have been unhappy."

Prosecutor Herdine will bring up the case before the grand jury on Tuesday, at which time Cordova will probably be indicted. Meanwhile Mrs. Cordova is preparing to go before that body to testify to assault.

Extra guards were about the little frame jail last night.

LOWELL PEOPLE

ATTENDED CONCERT AND BALL AT SOMERVILLE LAST NIGHT.

Mayor Casey, James E. Donnelly, John Adams of the Academy of Music, Mr. Trull of Chelmsford, Misses Minnie and Lulu Saunders, Miss Alice Murphy, Miss Nano Gallagher and Miss Alice O'Donnell were among the Lowell people present at the concert and ball of the Young Men's Catholic club of St. Anne's church, Somerville, last evening, and Misses Murphy and Gallagher and Mr. Donnelly contributed to the concert program. Rev. Edward F. Saunders of this city is a curate at St. Anne's.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

By Cotton Weavers' Protective Union on the death of a member.

Resolutions on the death of Sister Mary E. Hanley:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to summon before His heavenly throne our esteemed friend and worthy member, Mary E. Hanley, thus severing the many pleasant ties that bound us from our earliest acquaintance, be it therefore

Resolved, that while we bow in submission to an all wise providence in removing from our midst a member who by her staunch and enthusiastic faith in the ability of a conservative trade union to accomplish the amelioration of its members succeeded in bringing to our union many of our fellow workers who have since become permeated with the fundamental principles of our cause and are now the stoutest pillars of the Cotton Weavers Union.

Resolved, that we tender our heartfelt sympathy to her sisters in this their hour of affliction, and we trust that God in His goodness will give to them strength and fortitude to enable them to sustain their loss and to look with hope to that future when those who were ever dear to each other in this transitory life will again meet and be forever united.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be published in the local papers and placed upon our records as a token of the esteem in which our late Sister Mary E. Hanley was held by the members of the Cotton Weavers' Protective Union.

THOMAS J. REAGAN,
ANNIE O. ODEL,
ANNIE McMULLEN,
Committee on Resolutions.

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To buy the best boardinghouse,
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To buy a good farm,
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MAY ABOLISH IT

NO POSTMASTER FOR MILLBROOK POSTOFFICE.

LUNENBURG, March 3. The Millbrook postoffice in this town may be abolished because of the foolish action of Uncle Sam in refusing to accept the resignation of Postmaster W. P. Johnson, which was tendered to the department some time ago. The department wants to appoint a postmaster but cannot do so because Postmaster Johnson didn't quite fulfill the money order business. Johnson didn't quite fulfill the requirements of the office under an increased bond, and resigned six months ago. Now the department has been obliged to put the office calling attention to the fact that a successor hasn't secured within the time the office will be abandoned. In that case the business formerly transacted at Millbrook would go to the office at Dunbury Village.

MATRIMONIAL

Miss Sylvia M. Symonds, daughter of Ephraim B. Symonds of Tyngsboro, formerly of Lowell, was united in marriage to Mr. Robert Holland of Lowell on Wednesday evening, by the Rev. Arthur P. Wolfe of Northen Street Baptist church.

The ceremony was followed by a beautiful repast at the future home of the newly wedded couple, 181 Howard street, only immediate relatives being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Holland were generously remembered by their friends with many costly and beautiful gifts. No cards.

BARTLETT-HONAN.

The marriage of Mr. Frank J. Bartlett of Charlestown and Rita J. Honan of Everett, formerly of this city was celebrated Wednesday afternoon at St. Peter's parochial residence in this city, by Rev. Fr. Horne. Mr. Chas. Dilworth of Charlestown was best man and Miss Frances Taft of Everett was bridesmaid. The bride was very becomingly attired in white crepe de chine over taffeta with trimmings of chiffon and Irish crochet lace. She wore a white chiffon hat with ostrich plume and carried a shower bouquet of Meimet roses and pinks. The bridesmaid wore white muslin, velvet hat and carried violets. An informal reception was held at the home of her sister Mrs. John Markham on Cedar street. Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett departed on the 3.25 train for Boston en route for New York. They carry with them the good wishes of a host of friends. They were made the recipients of many beautiful gifts. They will reside at 58 Grant street, Somerville where they will be at home to their friends after May 1st.

PERSONALS

Miss May Carney, formerly teacher in the Green school, who has been confined to her home for more than a year as the result of injuries sustained from a snowslide in Central street, is now able to be out but she has not yet recovered full power of her arms while her head and her sight are still seriously affected. Her friends hope, however, that she may eventually recover entirely from the effects of the severe blow received from a lump of ice falling on her head.

No Gloss Carriage Paint Made will wear as long as Devoe's. No others are as heavy bodied, because Devoe's weigh 3 to 8 ounces more to the pint. Sold by The Adams Hardware and Paint Co.

BURNED TO DEATH

WOMAN'S CLOTHING CAUGHT FIRE FROM STOVE.

NEWPORT, R. I., March 3.—Mrs. Albert Sherman was burned to death today in her tenement here. The woman's skirt became ignited from a small stove in her bedroom and before assistance could reach her, her clothing was burned off. Death occurred within a few minutes. Mrs. Sherman was 77 years of age and leaves a husband and three sons.

MINOR INJURIES

SIMON HARRIS FELL DOWN A FLIGHT OF STAIRS.

Simon Harris, residing at 286 Central street, fell down a flight of stairs this morning and received injuries which necessitated the summoning of the ambulance which removed him to St. John's hospital.

At the hospital it was found that he was suffering from minor bruises and he was released from the hospital shortly before noon today.

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For $10 we will deliver and connect ready for use a high grade, full size Gas Range, complete in every detail of construction. We will sell this range on our usual easy payment plan, and would suggest to those wishing to take advantage of our offer, that orders be left at once, as the limited supply of ranges will last but a short time.
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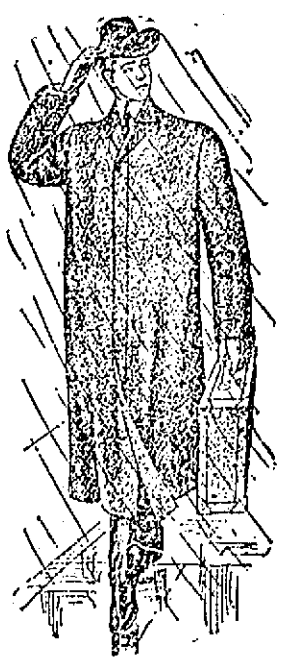
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

From Merrimack St.

5.45, 6.22, 6.45, 7.40, 8.50, 9.22, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, 5.44 p. m.

Sundays, 8.45 a. m.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
5.45	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.28	7.40	6.30	7.26
6.39	7.35	7.34	8.34
6.49	7.53	8.25	9.01
7.01	8.02	9.53	9.37
7.24	8.10	10.00	10.37
7.31	8.50	10.17	11.34
7.45	8.35	11.20	12.07
7.52	10.05	12.00	12.56
8.37	9.40	1.00	1.37
9.33	10.19	2.00	3.01
11.00	12.00	3.00	3.37
11.45	12.24	3.47	5.00
12.14	1.00	4.14	5.30
1.44	2.50	5.00	5.37
1.56	2.39	5.35	6.23
3.47	4.30	5.47	6.54
4.28	5.35	6.14	7.34
5.22	6.15	7.35	8.01
5.49	7.00	8.30	9.08
6.12	6.55	10.30	11.34
7.29	8.10	11.20	12.21

WESTERN DIV.

From Middlesex St.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
6.50	7.55	7.50	8.31
8.00	8.34	9.25	10.31
9.25	10.33	10.44	11.40
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.06
12.05	1.20	2.15	3.20
12.55	2.00	3.36	4.50
2.30	3.33	4.36	5.45
3.10	4.05	6.01	7.02
3.55	5.00	6.56	7.45
5.05	6.46	9.40	10.35
6.15	7.10	*11.35	12.13
7.00	8.00		
8.50	10.25		

* Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.15	9.25	8.00	9.18
12.10	1.20	12.00	1.00
3.55	4.50	5.05	6.22
5.52	6.53		
8.45	9.00		

SOUTHERN DIVISION

8.50	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10	11.30	12.07
5.48	6.45	1.00	1.37
9.20	10.15	3.00	3.09
2.25	3.27	7.20	8.08
5.28	6.30	8.30	9.08
6.22	7.65	9.00	10.02

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SUNSHINE WHIST CLUB.

The Sunshine Whist club met at the home of Mrs. G. E. Walsh, 26 A street, yesterday afternoon and a very enjoyable time was spent. The winners were Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Pinaud, who won the first, second and consolation prizes, respectively.

KILLED BY ELECTRIC CAR.

BOSTON, March 3.—In attempting to avoid being struck by a heavy wagon, Mrs. Annie McGaffigan, a widow, 60 year old, jumped in front of an electric car on Cambridge street near her home, yesterday afternoon and was crushed so badly that she died before she reached the hospital.

CLEAR WEATHER PREDICTED.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The United States weather bureau last night gave out the following special forecast as to the inauguration day weather:

"The weather in the district of Columbia on Saturday is almost dependent upon the movement of the low area now over the Saskatchewan valleys. Should it move eastward as now appears probable, the weather will be clear to partly cloudy with pleasant, comfortable temperature."

COMPANY M

INSPECTED AT THE ARMORY BY MAJOR SULLIVAN.

A regimental inspection of Company M, Ninth regiment, M. V. M., was held at the state armory in Westford street last night. Major Sullivan of Boston was the inspecting officer and he was favorably impressed with the work of the men and also their appearance.

Major Sweetsir of the Sixth regiment gave instructions to the commissioned men of Company G regiment, last night at the armory.

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POISON IN TEA

Attempt to Kill Two Women

ORLEANS, March 3.—An attempt to take the lives by poisoning of Mrs. Etta Lewis and her daughter, Miss May Lewis, who have always resided here was made on Feb. 22 and has just been made public. That both are alive is the result of their not having followed their usual custom on that night.

Both the mother and her handsome daughter are well known here and usually take a prominent part in the town's social functions, being among the leaders in church and charitable work. They were particularly happy on the occasion of the Washington's birthday party a week ago.

As Mrs. Lewis almost invariably accompanied her daughter to the parties it was her practice to have a hot drink before retiring, and as usual on the night of Feb. 22 a pot of tea was left on the range.

Returning home after midnight, they sat for a while by the parlor stove, and becoming somewhat drowsy the mother said: "I am too tired to bother to go into the kitchen for tea, let's go right up to bed."

Her suggestion was followed, and to this they owe the fact that they are alive today. The following morning they were astonished to find a trace of green powder on the floor leading from the outer doorstep to the stove and even to the teapot and teakettle on the stove.

Inside of the vessels also it was noticed that the water and tea were colored somewhat green and then, for the first time realizing that it was poison, and that they had evidently narrowly escaped death, the two women flew from the house to the home of Walter Nickerson, a brother of Mrs. Lewis, with whom they still remain, and so thoroughly frightened that Mrs. Lewis is in a state of nervous collapse.

State Detective Bradford was quietly notified, and has been working on the case. It has now become a matter of publicity, and it is believed an arrest will be made within a short time.

The amount of poison found in the kettle was sufficient to have caused the death of many persons, and it is evident to those who have worked on the case that it was fully intended to cause the death of Mrs. Lewis and her daughter.

Mrs. Lewis is about 45 years of age, and her daughter nearly 19. The teapot and kettle are in possession of Medical Examiner Davis of this village.

BRUTAL ASSAULT

WOMAN WAS ATTACKED BY TWO BURGLARS.

NORTH SMITHFIELD, R. I., March 3.—Two men, roughly attired, broke into a cottage occupied by Miss Mary E. Inman, on the outskirts of this town early today and after brutally assaulting Miss Inman who is about fifty years old, then made their escape having obtained but $7 in a pocket book as the result of their burglary. When they left the house it was surrounded by the neighbors armed with shotguns but the robbers nevertheless were able to escape uninjured.

The men entered shortly after midnight and frightened Miss Inman into handing over to them the $7 by choking her. They then produced a revolver with which they attempted to make her divulge the whereabouts of other money which they said she must have about the place. She denied possession of more. One burglar then mounted guard while the other searched the house. Finally Miss Inman succeeded in breaking away and ran for help to her neighbors. The men however got away. There is no clue to their identity though Miss Inman gave a good description of each. According to Miss Inman, they were not professionals, and appeared to be of foreign birth.

Miss Inman was much bruised by the severe handling she received.

OFFICERS ELECTED

BY GRAND LODGE DEGREE OF HONOR.

BOSTON, March 3.—The annual session of the grand lodge, Degree of Honor, the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order United Workmen, was opened here yesterday.

Grand Chief of Honor Eliza M. Chaplin presided. The proposition to incorporate the organization under the laws of Rhode Island was rejected and a committee appointed to secure incorporation in the state. The grand recorder reported two lodges instituted, and seven surrendered their charters during the year.

It was voted not to have district conventions. Officers were elected as follows:

Grand chief of honor, Lucy A. Davis of Rucksport, Me.; grand lady of honor, Margaret Cassidy of Boston; grand chief of ceremonies, Lizzie B. Wolfe of Gloucester; grand recorder, Carrie I. Mann of New Haven; grand receiver, Ida F. Whitman of Slatersville; finance committee, three years, Eva A. Hill of Haverhill; grand trustee, Marielle Burns of Dorcester; representatives to superior lodges, Eliza M. Chaplin of Pawtucket, R. I., Emma Witherill of Oakland, Me., and Beatrice L. Nichols of Hartford, Conn.

HARVARD WON

BROWN BEATEN IN THE AQUATIC MEET.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 3.—Harvard won the aquatic meet from Brown last night by a score of five points to two. Harvard won all the special swimming events, while Brown captured the water polo game by a score of 3 to 0. The summary:

Relay race won by Harvard—Time, 2 minutes, 14 1-5 seconds; plunge for distance, won by Sherman (Harvard) 56 1-2 feet; 50 yard race, won by Noyes (Harvard), time 32 seconds; 100 yards' dash, won by Farley, 1 minute, 9 4-5 seconds. Water polo game, won by Brown, 3 goals to nothing.

HAND INJURED

THUMB NEARLY SEVERED BY A CIRCULAR SAW.

Frederick C. Fraser, aged 42 years, had the thumb of his left hand lacerated while working on a circular saw at W. H. Beane's shop in Dutton street yesterday. He was taken to the Emergency hospital where 12 stitches were taken in the wound. Fraser resides at 127 Paige street.

BANK SETTLED

With Woman Who Was Falsely Arrested

BOSTON, March 3.—The suit for $25,000 brought by Elizabeth Freeman, a pretty young demonstrator of Brooklyn, against the Natick National bank for false arrest and imprisonment was settled yesterday for a "fair amount," understood to be in the neighborhood of $1000.

On March 13, 1903, a young woman supposed to be Agnes Field, a Wellesley student, or some one impersonating a student, presented a worthless check for $200 on the bank at Natick, which was paid. Then A. L. Potter, the teller, and the cashier, named Travis, outfitted themselves as a Sherlock Holmes-Dr. Watson outfit and proceeded to run the fair deceiver to earth. They handed over to officer Dunham of the state police the following description: "Age 23, weight 110, dark hair, dressed in gray coat and hat."

The plaintiff had been working at a store in Natick as a demonstrator, and she was followed to Springfield, where she was arrested in a department store. Potter, who accompanied the officer "on a special mission" was not sure that the plaintiff was the right girl, but he declared in the police station at Springfield that Miss Freeman had been in the Natick bank previous to March 13. This she denied on the stand. She was placed under arrest and searched by the matron. The officer did not tell the girl why he had detained her, and when the matron informed her that she was "a pretty hardened thing," Miss Freeman, who is an excellent type of the modern business woman, promptly fainted.

She was taken back to Natick and held in $3,000, but after three hearings she was discharged. The court would admit no evidence concerning the hearing, and it developed that no record of her commitment on her failure to provide bonds was kept.

She applied to the bank for money in order to get back to Springfield, but the officials abruptly declined to give it. On her arrival at Forbes & Wallace's department store there she requested to waste no time in leaving the store. When she called on acquaintances she had made in Springfield she got the same invitation. As a result of her arrest she lost her position as demonstrator for the Swan Electrical company.

She finally arrived in Brooklyn and secured a position in R. H. Macy's in New York, but she had to leave because there was so much talk about the "scrape" she was concerned in in Massachusetts. Several times after that she was discharged as soon as "wicked rumor" reached the ears of her employers.

She is now representing a Providence medical concern in New York. She was dressed yesterday in brown to match her chaingne complexion and auburn hair.

The defence of the bank was that it was an honest mistake of fact, and her lawyers, Clarence W. Rowley and Edward S. Hull of New York, said that they took this fact into consideration in settling for the above amount. P. H. Cooney for the bank.

POLICY HOLDERS

WANT A VOICE IN COMPANY'S AFFAIRS.

NEW YORK, March 3—A committee of policy holders of the Equitable Life Assurance society met yesterday with John D. Crimmins and a bill for submission to the legislature and providing for the mutualization of the Equitable society on radical lines was discussed.

Another meeting will be held today, the committee stating that a large representation of policy holders will be present. Mr. Crimmins said last night that it is the intention of the committee to permit the holders of a one year's policy for $1000 to have just as much voice in the management of affairs as the holders of a large amount.

TUITION RATES

TO BE ADVANCED BY TRUSTEES OF VASSAR COLLEGE.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 3.—President James M. Taylor of Vassar college, announces that the college trustees have decided to advance the rates which have been maintained since 1866. The tuition fee is advanced from $100 to $150 a year and the board from $250 to $350 per year, making the four years cost to the pupil staying at the college $2000, an increase of $400. The authorities reckon that this increase will net them between $90,000 and $100,000 a year. The new rates do not apply to students now at the college. Increase in cost of education and of living are given as the reasons for the increase.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis P. Reed of 10 Fifth street are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy.

Don't have a heater put in your house until you have seen our line—the finest display of Boilers and Furnaces in Lowell.
CARROLL BROS.
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POOR BREAD
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CHINESE COOK

JANE LATHROP STANFORD.

Is Suspected of Having Poisoned Mrs. Stanford

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3—The Call publishes a dispatch from Honolulu today which says that Miss Bertha Berner, who was Mrs. Stanford's secretary, has named Ah Wing, a Chinese cook who has been employed at Mrs. Stanford's home for over 20 years, as the person whom she suspects of placing the strychnine in the bicarbonate of soda. Ah Wing, with the other servants in the employ of Mrs. Stanford is now confined in the Stanford mansion on California street by private detectives under orders, it is said, of the personal attorney of Mrs. Stanford. The servants are not allowed to leave the house and the watchman is on guard at the gate day and night with orders to prohibit all persons from approaching the dwelling. Besides Ah Wing there are two other Chinese servants and the housekeeper at present in the house. Since the announcement was made that strychnine had been found in the bottle of bicarbonate, detectives have made careful search of Mrs. Stanford's California street home and her place in Palo Alto. At both they have found a one pound can of imported bicarbonate of soda. The can at the Palo Alto home had not been opened but from the one discovered in the California St. mansion, there had been taken a small portion, presumably the amount needed to fill the small bottle that Mrs. Stanford carried with her to Honolulu.

Both of these cans have been analyzed by a local chemist who has pronounced their contents absolutely free from any kind of poison. With this knowledge in their possession the detectives have been eager to discover who re-filled the small bottle and possibly mixed the bicarbonate of soda with strychnine.

SKULL FRACTURED

A RECLUSE BADLY BEATEN BY TWO MEN.

WATERBURY, Conn., March 3.—Thomas Lockwood, aged 82, a recluse, was found in his farm-house on the road to Middlebury, yesterday, with his skull fractured in two places and his body badly cut and bruised. He says that two men called upon him Tuesday and at the point of a revolver made him sign a document giving them a right for a trolley line over his land. As he was signing it, he says, they struck him with a bludgeon twice, felling him to the floor, then rifled his house, taking everything of value with them. Four thousand dollars in non-negotiable securities was left behind.

WENT ON STRIKE

BROWN TAIL MOTH CHASERS WANT PAY.

BOSTON, March 3.—Forty men employed in exterminating the brown tail moth in this city by the city of Cambridge, struck today because the city refused to pay them for Feb. 22. Mayor Daly notified the committee of the employes that there was no rule under which they could be paid for time in which they did not work on a holiday and thereupon the men went on strike.

A CARD

To Citizens of Lowell:

There were exactly three reasons why she married him as she did.

Because she wanted to spite "Mamma;" because she had always been a wee bit stage-struck; or because she loved him so!

Who is "She"?

Why, "She's" one of the prettiest, pluckiest, and most famous of all the fair daughters of Lowell. And there's no dearth of pretty girls in Lowell, as you know.

And now you want to know all about it, of course.

You will find the whole story, just how and why it happened, told by the heroine herself, in next Sunday's Boston American.

A beauty, a tempestuous tragedian, a mere mother, and the little blind god with the bow and arrow.

And it all happened right here in Lowell.

And that's by no means all! Well, rather not. That's only one page,—one page, mind you—of a 52 page Sunday paper, the best published in New England.

If you take it regularly—and if you don't you've missed something it will take you a long time to catch up with—just drop around to your newsdealer and leave an order for it for next Sunday, sure.

The edition will be sold out early, you can be sure of that.

Saturday
March 4, I will sell 100 Imported Gravures, framed in gilt and wood, 11 x 14 glass for *25c Each.* Also another lot of Flowers and Fruit yards, *10c,* with cut prices on all the pictures in the store.
Only Place in Town Where Really Fine Picture Framing Can be Had to Order at Low Prices.
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The G. W. Groves Sale of Shanley & Co.'s Doomed Stock, after twelve of the greatest bargain giving days that Lowell has ever known, will continue in force today, Friday and Saturday. We have inaugurated a general crusade against cost price, cutting off in many cases fifty per cent. This means for the remainder of the week you can buy clean, seasonable goods at 1-2 the regular retail price.

Astounding Bargains in Fine Laces
Torchon Lace, 2c, 3c and 4c per Yard.
Escurial Silk Lace, 8c, 11c, 14c and 17c per Yard.
Lace Insertion, 2c, 3c, 6c and 8c per Yard.
Hamburg Laces, 3c, 5c, 7c and 9c per Yard.

Large Line of Dress Trimmings

Ladies' Linen Collars
Ladies' 4-ply Linen Collars in six different styles, doomed price 4 for 25c.
Ladies' All-over Lace (cape) Collars, doomed price 48c and 84c Each.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs in all white and colored borders, doomed price 2c, 7c and 9c.
Ladies' Belts, 59c, 75c and 98c, doomed price 38c.
Ladies' White Aprons, at half and less, 15c, 19c, 29c and 36c.

Furs—Furs—Furs
A better investment than money in bank at the prices marked on these goods.

Unheard of Bargains in Dress Goods and Linings
54-inch Wool Mixtures, Shirt Waist Suitings, value 69c, doomed price 29c per Yard.
44-inch Check Suitings, in medium and light colors, doomed price 11c per Yard.
52-inch Wool Plaid Mixtures, value $1.00 per yard, doomed price 69c per Yard.
Colored Pin Check Suitings, doomed price 8c per Yard.
All Black Silk Mixture, Shirt Waist Suiting, value $1.00 per yard, doomed price 64c per Yard.
All Black and Colored Lining Cambric, 3½c per Yard.
Black and Colored Sellsias, 20c quality, 11c per Yard.
Black and Colored Yard-Wide Tuxedo, 20c quality, doomed price 11c per Yard.
Lot Fancy Stripes, Yard-Wide Lining, value 17c per yard, doomed price 7½c per Yard.

Visit Corset Dept.
75c and $1.00 Corsets, doomed price 42c a Pair.

Big Bargains, Small Wares
Angora Braid in black and colors, doomed price 8c.
Eureka and Belding, 100 yard, Sewing Silk, doomed price 6c a Spool.
Coat's or Clark's, 200 yard spool, Cotton, doomed price 4c a Spool.
Marshal's Linen Thread, doomed price 8c.
Ladies' Side Combs, regular price 10c, 12c and 17c, doomed price 8c a Pair.
Herbert's Steel Pointed Pins, doomed price 2 Papers for 9c.
Luther's Feather Braid, warranted, 6 yards, doomed price 5c.

Memorable Values in Domestics
64-inch Colored Table Damask, 19c per Yard.
62-inch Cream Table Damask, only 46c per Yard.
Lot French Satines, the kind that never fades, only 19c per Yard.
Domet Flannel, extra wide, only 4c per Yard.
36-inch Curtain Muslin, only 9c per Yard.

Ribbons, About Given Away
Black and Colored Ribbons, 1c, 2c, 4c and 8c per Yard.
Black and Colored Velling, 11c, 16c and 19c per Yard.
Ladies' 4-inch Lace Collars, doomed at 12½c.

Memorable Values in Ladies' Kid Gloves
Ladies' Black and Colored Kid Gloves, value 75c, $1.00 and $1.25, doomed price 49c a Pair.

Ready to Wear Dept.
Second Floor.
Ladies' Fine Dress Skirts in a fine line of Mixtures, Shanley's price $3.49, doomed price only $1.69.
Ladies', All Wool Sweaters, regular price $1.98, doomed price $1.19.
Ladies' Mercerized Petticoats with ruffles and thin bias folds, value $1.98, doomed price $1.09.
Ladies' Golf Vests, sizes 32 to 44, big value at $1.00, doomed price 84c.
White P. K. Waists, doomed price 79c, $1.09 and $1.44.

REMEMBER—Every article in our store, whether advertised or not, is a bargain that you cannot afford to pass. Opportunities like this are not an every-day occurrence, so get in line with your neighbor.

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